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WHERE WILL THE 1908 GENERAL CONFERENCE BE HELD?

SOME POINTS OF DIFFERENCE

Dr. Johnson and Atlanta—Wishes of Masses Should be Heeded—Justice Robert H. Terrell Confirmed—Dr. John Gordon Still There.

(STAFF CORRESPONDENCE.)

The Special Commission, charged with the duty of selecting the seat of the next General Conference of the A. M. E. Church, will meet January 11th, to take action relative to the matter. The dictum of this Commission, we understand, is absolute, and after a conclusion shall have been reached, the church at large will be powerless to effect a change Bearing this significant fact in mind, therefore, the people are letting the members of the Commission hear from them in no uncertain terms as to their preferences, rightly insisting that no personal considerations be permitted to influence their judgment, and that nothing save the best interests of the church as a whole shall have weight in making up their momentous decision. It goes without the saying that the scene upon which upwards of four hundred representative Negroes shall gather to legislate for a constituency of not less than 800,000 aspiring souls, counts for a great deal in a spiritual and material sense, and it is of the highest importance, both to Methodism and to the race, that the very wisest counsel prevail in choosing the place of meeting. The selection should be in accord with the wishes of the masses of the church, for it is to the plain people that the institution must look for its support, and only once in four years that they have an opportunity to be heard in shaping the policies by which they are governed. Strong administrators bring glory to the cause, but it must not be forgotten that the A. M E. Church is most effective when its essentially democratic character is most vigorously emphasized, and when the closest heed is paid to the voice of the humblest communicant.

For a period following the strong editorial of Dr. H. T. Johnson in the Christian Recorder, favoring Atlanta, the hustling Georgia metropolis seemed to have the "call," and, on "form," looked like an "easy winner." But a very noticeable revulsion of feeling has come within the past fortnight, and the opposition to Atlanta has grown so formidable and intense that if she wins, it will be by the hardest, and her friends must beat the combined hosts now booming New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington. The champions of these four cities are ready to unite on any kind of platform to defeat Atlanta, and it is of more than passing note that prominent Southern churchmen themselves, from Georgia, Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Florida, and other states of that section, are urging the Commission to carry the Conference into Northern territory where manhood rights are respected, and where something worth knowing can be learned by the delegates, many of whom have very limited chances for travel and observation. Dr Johnson is not believed to have any "axe to grind" beyond his avowed candidacy for the Bishopric, but the keen-eyed brethren, who are reputed to be able "to see as far into a millstone as the man who pecks it," profess to see a colored gentleman in the woodpile in the sudden movement for Atlanta, as the reigning favorite, since the adjournment of the Chicago Conference, have been New York. It is openly charged—from which accusation, however, Dr. Johnson is carefully eliminated—that there is a thick layer of "politics" behind the Atlanta Movement, which will be exposed in due season, and the further prophesy is made that if the Atlanta combine should happen to win out, through the manipulation of certain machinery under their control, the victory will apt to prove a costly one for all who may be finally discovered to be responsible for it. Desirable as Atlanta undoubtedly is for some organizations, the argument is broadly set forth that the [illegible] prejudice ridden to its very core, and while a commercial body might get through quite satisfactorily with a three days' session, the atmosphere would not thoroughly chill a great religious aggregation which would sit for at least three weeks, and number among its members, scores of dignitaries from foreign lands, to whom we wish to present America in her best light.

The most telling araignment of Atlanta's weakness as a seat for the General Conference is given out by Mr. H. C. Calhoun, who writes an open letter to the Southern Christian Recorder, under an Opelika, Ala, dateline, and his views may be taken as fairly representative of the entire anti-Atlanta propaganda. Mr. Calhoun points to the fact that the General Conference of the A. M E. Church is to the colored American what the Congress of the United States is to the civilized world; that there is not another gathering of Afro-Americans on the face of the earth that has to do with the welfare of so vast a body of people, coming from so wide an area of territory—including South Africa, West Africa, Cuba, Hayti, British West Indies, Danish West Indies, South America and countless islands of the sea; and that no other gathering exerts so potent an influence in shaping the destiny of the dark peoples of the world. He holds that every self-respecting American Negro is bound to feel ashamed to have his foreign brother, who has been largely free from caste humiliations, carried to a Bourbon community like Atlanta, where they will be thrust into a back seat on the street car, shown to an outside ticket window or a separate waiting room in the railroad depot, caged up in a dirty Jim Crow box, forced to go to a back door of a lunch room for a bite to eat, and to find not a step box or a porter to assist a colored lady on or off a public carrier. To the Northern Negro, familiar with Southern conditions, the exclusion of colored people from the elevators in office buildings, city parks and places of general amusement, is exasperating to the last degree, and they scrupulously refrain from visiting such heathenish communities, unless called thither by pressing business. Mr Calhoun argues, and is ably sustained by Mr. W. T. Menard in the Florida Sentinel, that a cosmopolitan body of such magnitude, dignity and importance as the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church of the world should be held at New York, Baltimore, Washington or Philadelphia, where the delegates and visitors, to the number of 1,000 or more, would be assured of a pleasant meeting, and in addition, have an opportunity to visit points of historic interest, and carry back to their homes experiences and observations which would prove of incalculable value to all concerned. The line of thought pursued by Messrs. Calhoun and Menard, antagonistic to Atlanta, is being taken up by correspondents in every section of the country, and if the Commission is anxious to please the rank and file of the church, it will be in no hurry to act, until the whole subject has been properly ventilated and the state of the public mind thoroughly ascertained, to the end that no mistake be made. An unpopular selection of a place of meeting, might nullify, to a large extent, the good which the next General Conference hopes to accomplish for Christian civilization.

Had we a voice in the matter, our preference would lie in the direction of Washington City. With a population of nearly 100,000 Negroes, it offers a rare field for sociological investigation, as well as congenial association. Within a radius of ten miles there are more points of historic interest to our people than in any given territory in the country, and at the time of the sitting in May, 1908, the Congress will be in session, with its galaxy of great men, and it is not impossible to bring the deliberations of the two bodies into profitable touch. A visit can be paid to President Roosevelt, and who is it that will not be glad to have our distinguished Chief Executive come into pleasant contact with the magnificent specimens of Negro manhood who always attend these Conferences? At Washington the facilities for comfortable board and lodging are first-class, and the auditorium of the great Metropolitan A. M. E. Church is better adapted for such gatherings than any other church building owned by the connection. All religious denominations being represented, the view of the Negro's religious possibilities is unusually instructive, and the array of fine church edifices is a revelation of the race's business capacity. The schools, commercial establishments, professional people, and official element are all worthy of study, and a month could be spent nowhere to more lasting benefit than in the nation's capital. We think the Commission will do itself proud and satisfy the millions who are deeply interested in a successful meeting, by naming Washington by acclamation, as the Conference seat in 1908.

As we predicted, Justice Robert H. Terrell has been confirmed by the Senate. The vote was unanimous after a favorable report from the Committee on the Judiciary. No one with an ounce of sense believes that Mr. Terrell was in any way responsible for the Capital Savings Bank disaster, and it is infinitely to the credit of the President and the best people of the District of Columbia that they refused to make Mr. Terrell the scape-goat for the sins of others, simply because his head loomed up rather more conspicuously than most. We again congratulate Judge Terrell upon his great victory, and venture the hope that he will now be permitted to enjoy four years of sweet peace—a boon which ought to come quite welcome to him because of its rarity.

The resignation of Dr. John Gordon evidently has a string to it, and there is a belief on the part of his friends, headed by Dr Hamlin, that he may be able to resume his place when the present storm blows over The meeting of the Board of Trustees, called to consider the resignation, has been postponed, with the hope that a favorable turn may come through delay. If Drs. Gordon and Hamlin think the colored people are so wishy-washy that they cannot remember a just grievance many months, they will find that they will have to study the Negro's nature over again. The black giant is slow to awaken, but when he does get his eyes open, those who have wronged him had better look out.

Whenever there is a mess of any kind over the race problem, be it educational, religious or political, somebody thinks it awful smart to bring Booker T. Washington into it. A telegram printed in the New York Tribune tells how the Tuskegee educator has been brought into the squabble in East Orange, N. J., over race discrimination in the public schools by the Board of Education, and how Dr. Washington shut the whole matter up by entering a vigorous

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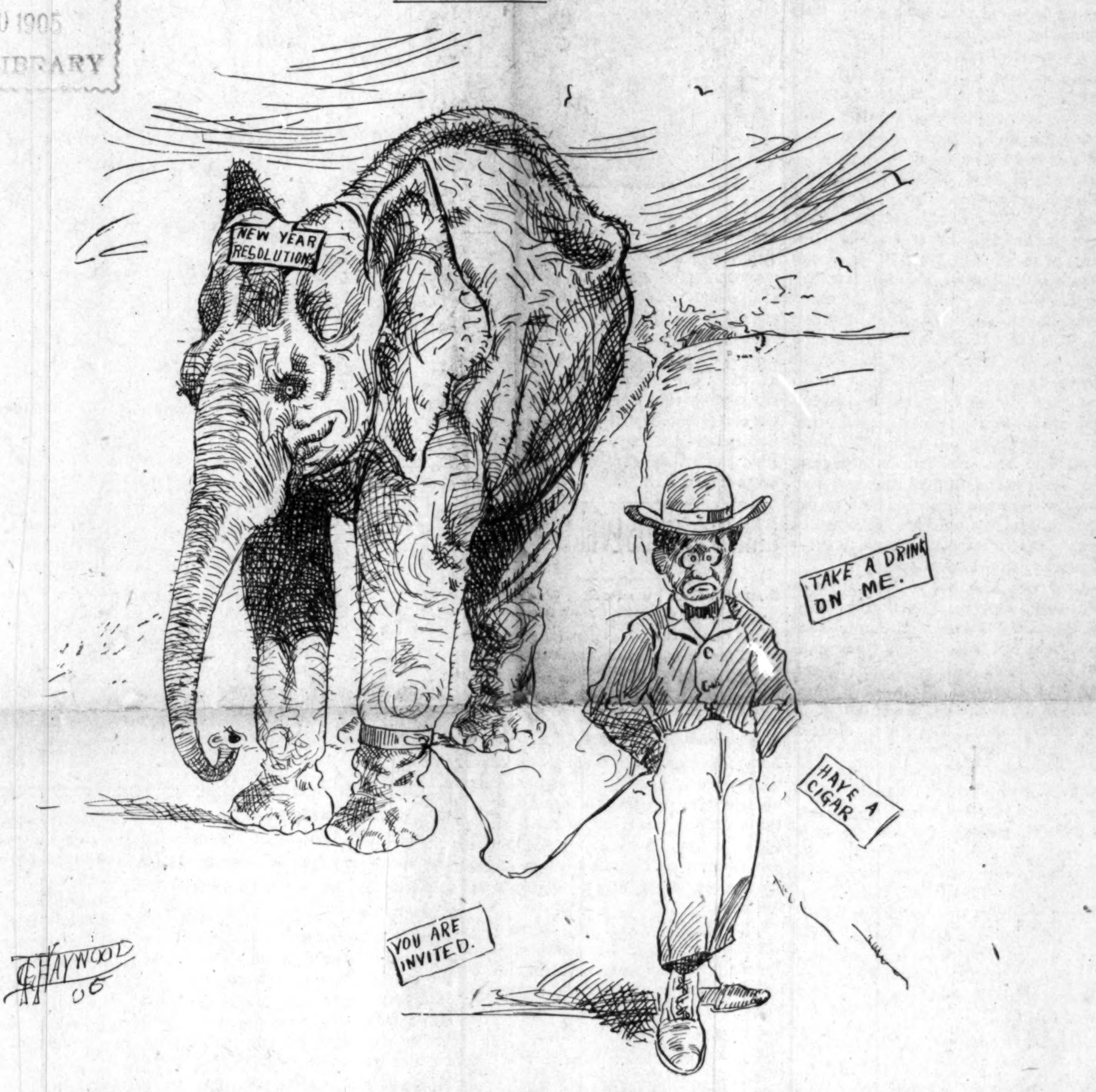

The weak man will soon have "an elephant on his hands."

A SON OF GARRISON SPEAKS

GREAT MEETING AT THE OLD JOY STREET CHURCH

IF GARRISON WERE TO RETURN

Would Find Negroes Excluded From Juries—Women Denied Full Political Rights—A Lowering of Civic Ideals—Yet There Is Hope.

Mr. Garrison said in part: "I had not intended to participate in any of the numerous meetings which have been projected in honor of my father's memory on this, the 100th anniversary of his birth. It seems to me and to the other members of his family that it was for others and not for us to pay tribute to him at this time, But when I was told that a meeting was to be held in Joy street church, and was urged to address it, I could not refuse the request, for if there is a spot in all this wide country where it is fitting that this day should be commemorated, it is in this old church in which my father began his organized opposition to slavery.

"There can be no question as to the sincerity of the tributes of gratitude that will be paid to William Lloyd Garrison today by the race whom he helped to liberate from bondage, and it is most appropriate that members of it should hold a service in this building, where the first society in America to demand the immediate and unconditional abolition of slavery was formed.

"When my father passed away, the reactionary movement against the exercise of the elective franchise by the Southern freedmen had already set in, and his last published utterance was a protest against the proscription which had driven hundreds of them from Mississippi and Louisiana to Kansas.

"Since then the fraudulent tissue ballots have been succeeded by the no less fraudulent enactments which have practically disfranchised the colored population of the South, and if he were to return today he would find not only the 15th amendment to the constitution nullified, but the 13th amendment, which abolished slavery, defied by the wretches who have adopted a system of peerage.

"He would find Negroes excluded from juries, from all town, city and state governing bodies, denied legal intermarriage with whites, restricted to Negro galleries in the theatres and Negro cars on trains, subjected to excessive penalties for violations of law, and in many ways still victims of that cruel and unrelenting race prejudice which he assailed from the outset of his warfare 75 years ago.

"He would find women denied of their full political rights in all but four states of the union, and the Chinese, whose claim to equal treatment with all other immigrants to our shores he vindicated with his latest breath, still excluded as outcasts.

He would view with amazement the spectacle of the United States seizing distant islands, slaughtering their people by tens of thousands, and establishing colonial governments 'without consent of the governed.'

"He would be saddened by the mad increase of naval armaments, and the increasing disposition to interfere in and arbitrarily regulate the affairs of feebler countries.

"He would deplore the lowering of civic ideals, the growth of the commercial spirit which have resulted in the wide-spread business corruption now being uncovered in this country.

"But would he be disheartened or hopeless of the future? Assuredly not. Whoever follows the record of his life will find that throughout his long thirty years of warfare his courage and hopefulness, his certainty of the triumph of right, were never greater than when the outlook seemed the darkest to others.

"So today he would pronounce the progress made by the colored population of the South since emancipation a marvelous record for forty years.

"Knowing that under our political system, the only hope of correcting existing abuses lies in the education, moral training and material progress of the ignorant and degraded masses on the one hand, and the changed hearts of the white leaders of the South on the other, he would find infinite

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IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY."

This column is devoted to the interests of women Address all communications to the Woman's Department, The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

THE NEW YEAR

We are now standing on the threshhold of another year. A new leaf in our lives is about to be turned over, leaving the old with the records of many happenings, pleasant and unpleasant, bitter and sweet. We start with many new resolutions in our mind and some are written down in the diary and are really kept—in the diary. It is evident if the past year's course was a failure, we must change; if a success we should continue.

To do our duty according to the best there is in us, is all that is required Each hour, day and year should find us striving to fill creditably that place which in His divine wisdom, the Master has seen cause to put us. For some good purpose we are brought into this world; everybody has their own part to do and for that part only, will they be answerable to their Maker. As we turn the old leaf, we will bury the failures, and forget those things that were not as we would have had them; remembering only the bright things and the happy days, beginning the new with dear memories, for inspiration, a heart and mind to do what is is right. With your resolutions I hope for you health, prosperity and endurance for a Happy New Year,

A VISIT WITH THE WOMEN OF THE SMART SET COMPANY.

It was quite a pleasure to be received by eighteen actor women in installments of twos and fours in their dressing rooms during their preparation for the entertainment of the public in the popular Park Theatre. I was introduced by the courteous stage manager, Mr. Jerry Mills. From door to door we went, the ladies presenting themselves when presentable, if not, he stood on the outside and did the honors, while I acknowledged them on the inside as the representative of The Freeman Then I visited each "family" at different times

Marion Smart and Ella Anderson keep house together. Two big trunks, two chairs, powder cream, curling irons, dresses galore hanging on the wall, and a glance toward the ceiling revealed several pairs of pretty silk stockings, drying on the heating pipes, water, soap and towels made up the contents of their room. Miss Smart while putting on a garment told how anxious she is to please the public and that her one aim was to that end, but some day when the Prince Charming came, perhaps she would give up her work—the right one—perhaps.

Miss Anderson while arranging her hair replied in answer to a question that her mother had planned for her to be a milliner but she found the show work more adapted to her than the designing of hats, but Miss Anderson does not advise young girls to go on the stage for she knows it takes a strong mind to stand the trials that comes to the women behind the footlights. As the conversation went on the stage manager gave the command "Fifteen Minutes!" Shortly after this call, in came Georgia Dobbs, the girl who danced so well in boy attire. Miss Anderson said, "Why, Georgia, how very nice your hair looks!" "How did you get it fixed so good?" inquired Marion. Presently Miss Anderson gave Georgia's fetching pompadour an investigating little squeeze, "My, you must have all the "rat" in there, you should leave that to me, 'No, it isn't," replied Georgia. "It's hair, Florence Mitchell put that in my trunk last season." At this juncture Miss Hammond came in with that big red hat on, the one that aspires heavenward in front, and then the talk drifted to this hat and its claim on beauty. All agreed that it was pretty red and Miss Hammond said she felt four months from her nose to the top of the hat and about a thousand from her nose to her feet. About this time Mr. Mills called out, "Let's go" and everybody went—upstairs to the stage.

After the first act a few minutes with Daisy Brymm, May Bowen, Emma Baynard Whitney and Sarah Venable, "the bell boys," found them making a lightning change. Miss Bowen had been a member but a short while and is much interested in an Indianapolis tenor soloist. The girls chatted gaily while Billy, the manager's dog sat on a chair and looked wise. The hunting girls Jennie Hillman, Sadie Mears, Etta Gross and Florence Smiley added to the gayety of a few moments interval. Alberta Ormes Dudley, the comedian's wife was very happy; she would see the Dudley heir, the coming Sunday, the most wonderful baby that ever was, so its picture looks. This baby, sixteen months old is at the head of the family of Mrs. Dudley's sister of Chicago, while its worshipping parents are on the road.

Georgia Dobbs and Eva Swinton were delighted in teasing Hilda Harris They told her she talked too much; talking all the time and Hilda seemed to enjoy it and laughing in her childish fashion said, "It's just one word about Georgia, she quarrels all the time and Eva——" "Let's go from here!" rang a familiar voice and the country was saved for the Indian maiden.

Hazel Alexander, of St. Louis and Marguerite Ward, of Kansas City are porteges of Mr. and Mrs Dudley. As Miss Alexander is a compositor and Miss Ward a western girl there was a bond of affection between us. This is Miss Alexahder's very first experience and she seems to like it better than "the cases" Marguerite Ward is an ardent admirer of Ada Overton Walker whose interest and friendship she enjoys. Her height of ambition is to be a vaudeville star.

The engagement in this city followed a two weeks' run of one night stands and the girls were really tired. The life of a woman on the stage is hard, sure enough hard and they are deserving of spmpathy and encouragement. Every night for nearly three hours, every afternoon for the same length of time and if not working on Sundays they are en route to the next engagement. It is alright for those that have talent to go through the wear but it is a sad waste of time for those who are merly "getting by." It would be best for them to go back to even the smallest home town, maybe not on the map, help their mother and serve on committees for church entertainments.

When you are making a sacrifice you must have something that will fully compensate, you in view. The awakening to find yourself a great power in your work will overbalance all the hard things in the accomplishment of it. The criterions of colored society usually look down upon the woman of the stage, and these women from the star to the least experienced one has suffered snubs because they have chosen the stage for their work. It is true that some women on the stage do not come up to the height of perfection and it is also very true that some so-called leaders of the social set have strayed from the path. But who shall judge? "Let him without a sin, cast the first stone." Things are not always what they seem and they are but women after all.

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LITERARY NOTES.

Chicago's fifty thousand colored people take especial pride in the vast accomplishment of its shrewd, painstaking, energetic, aggressive citizen, Mr. D A. Bethea, who among all her citizens has done the most pressing and needy thing, that of carefully arranging, classifying and compiling the exhaustive subject in such a way as to have wrung the greatest order out of the most annoying chaos. It is indeed a revelation, telling all the world that the Negro is getting into business and reassuring himself that his representation in the business world vouchsafes all the rights of any people, Those out of Chicago who desire to inquire into the commercial spirit of the Negroes in Chicago may procure a copy of "The Blue Book" by addressing him, 4516 State street.

MR. DENNIS A BETHEA

RANKS ROOSEVELT THIRD

Boston Editor Puts Booker Washington First of Four Great Men.

Los Angeles, Cal., Special.—"There are four great men that are really worth while in this country. First of all I place Booker T. Washington; second I place Jacob Riis, and third I believe I must put Theodore Roosevelt. I am not sure that he ought to be third, because he is so fast nobody can keep up with him, and you never know in the morning what he is going to do before night. Fourth, I place Judge Ren Lindsey, of Denver, because of his great work in reforming the youth of this country."

This statement by Dr. Albert E. Winship, editor of the New England Journal of Education, of Boston, in a lecture upon "Twentieth Century Ideals," startled the City Teachers' Institute recently.

Asked after the lecture for an additional opinion, he replied that he had expressed all he could say in the words quoted.

A QUESTION OF CHILD LABOR

Washington, D. C., Special.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was the chief speaker at a recent session of the annual meeting of the child labor committee. Gompers refuted the charge frequently made that the federation is not sincere in its opposition to child labor and acts through selfish motives.

Gompers mentioned the attacks which have been made upon labor organizations in the South for their advocacy of laws protecting children and discussed the conditions in Southern factories, where Negro children are excluded and white children are employed exclusively. The result is the Negro children are in school, while the whites work, Gompers declared, and the very men who disfranchised the Negroes are now working great injustice to the whites of the laboring classes.

PREACHER KILLED IN PULPIT

Forrest City, Ark., Special.—A sectarian tragedy occured in the Rawlinson settlement, this county, which resulted in the death of Rev. Kinch Mangrum, a sanctified preacher who was conducting a sanctified meeting, assisted by Revs J. H Boone and Noah Berry all from Memphis

They were denied the use of any of the churches, as it was said that they would split them, causing a continuous confusion. Just as the Rev. Mangrum, arose from prayer a shot was made and he was no more. His body was shipped home.

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For the next Twelvemonth.

We are told that we have a better publication for clean, concise and complete news of the race than any other newspaper in the country; better serious articles than any all-serious publication, and better timely articles than any other newspaper. We have the brightest and newest publication now extant, devoted to the best interests of all the Negro race. It contains the most important happenings concerning our people, Church Affairs, Woman's World, Race Gleanings, The Stage, The Field of Sport and Social and Society Happenings from everywhere. The Editorial Page has been made the equal of any of the Metropolitan papers of the country, if not better.

The liveliest topics of the day will be put before our readers by that very admirable correspondent, Mr. Richard W. Thompson, who is considered to be one of the leading journalists of the day. Mr. Thompson is a staff writer of this paper, who writes on difficult subjects with such singular fairness that every one almost believes that his word "is law."

Dr. M. A. Majors, whose "Major Melange" has scored a world of success in the many past years that it has appeared in this paper, will continue to brighten these columns with his very interesting lines.

Some of our columns will also be devoted to the best interests of the Head, Second and Side Waiters. These columns will be purely an education to the up-to-date waiter of the day.

The Woman's World, which has been so well recieved by our readers, will be a splendid feature in 1906. "Dorothy's" power as a writer of the womankind has become the equal of Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox in mark of beauty. A woman who read an article in the proofs for the Woman's World, said: "Until now I never had any but a confused idea of what our women are doing and of what they could do to better their condition."

The World of Sports will be well taken care of by Mr. John L. Footslug, who has been right in the midst of it for years. Every kind of sport known will appear in these columns.

The Stage will come in for a great share of praise in the next twelve months It will be prettily illustrated. Newsy letters of the stage from New York, Chicago and other cities will appear each week. The Freeman's Gallery, a newly added feature, will also appear. Brief reviews will be published from the pen of Messrs. Carle B. Cooke, Sylvester Russell and others.

The Art Department will be well cared for by our able cartoonist, Mr. Garfield T. Haywood, who is at its head. Perhaps there are few young men who have gained more prominence than Mr. Haywood, through his remarkable talent as a cartoonist. This office has been deluged with letters praising his work. It is the intention of the management to steadily improve in the next twelve months, in our department of art.

The "Top o' the Week" column, conducted by Mr. Charles Marshall, will continue to sparkle more than ever with bubbling wit and humor. He will constantly contribute for the benefit of the wise and the unwise

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ALEXANDRIA, LA.

The Sunday school of Newman Memorial M. E church celebrated the Garrison Centenary with a literary psogram. Prof. Wright superintendent and the school of Shiloh Baptist church attended and took part. Dr. J. W. Young was master of ceremonies The following program was rendered: Music, "Tee Battle Song of the Republic" by the school; Prayer and Scripture Reading by the pastor, Rev. P. W. Clark; Solo, "Cavalry," Mrs. P. L. Patton; J. E Hines gave the biography of Mr Garrison; Prof. R. M. Davis delivered an interesting address on "Garrison as a Journalist;" Solo, "Palms," Dr. I. W. Young; the address of Garrison in London was read by Miss Lucretia Dorsey; Garrison's address to Freedman in Charleston in 1865, read by Miss Mary E. Lee; His address to free people of color, in 1831 by H. C. Hudson. The address of the day was delivered by Prof. W. R. Wright, "Practical Lessons Drawn from the Life of Garrison." The closing number was a quartet "Rock of Ages;" Miss Edith Dier, organist.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Travino and Mr. W. L. Ambier was solemnized Tuesday morning at the St. Francis Xavier Catholic church. They are at home in this city.—The marriage of Miss Frances E W. Kelso and Mr Isaih H Morris took place last Wednesday evening at the Memorial M. E. church They will reside at Beaumont, Tex—The colored people of this people are preparing to celebrate January 1, the forty-second anniversary of their emancipation.

FRENCH LICK, IND.

French Lick has been on a boom for the last six months. Several new buildings have been erected and quite a number of residences. Real estate has increased 25 per cent and several colored families have bought property in the last two months. Mr. and Mrs James Cook have purchased a beautiful two-story residence on Bowls street.

SHREVEPORT, LA.

The degree of doctor of divinity was conferred upon Rev. Charles D Shallowhorne, December 10, by Rev. David V. Bohaman D D, Ph. D, president of the McKinley Memorial University and National Correspondence College of Vincennes, Ind. The services were held at St. James M. E church and a large congregation was present. Judge Cal. D. Hicks spoke of Rev. Shallowhorne as follows: "Doctor Shallowhorne always stood high in my estimation and the white people of the State of Louisiana and although we are of different races, we are today united by the ties of friendship which have been long and intimate." After receiving the honors, Rev Shollowhorne said in part, "I have been adrift upon the waves of circumstances; guiding my frail bark among the rocks and shoals of life, sometimes on a smooth sea oftener on a rough, praying, working and sacrificing. I have spent my life in the uplifting and development of my people and today I feel the least of His servants."

Rev. Charles D. Shallowhorne was born a slave in Iberville about fifty-five years ago. He was reared by Mrs Maria Dickerson and traveled with her family in Europe and Scotland. He has held offices of trust in this State at times for thirty five years, and owns and maintains the Hartzel Industria Academy at Donaldsville, La, an institution for the education of colored youth. He is held in high esteem by his church and the community.

Misses Willie May Jackson and Victoria Taylor spent the holidays at Marshall, Tex, with their mothers. Jim Aldridge spent Christmas with his sister at Dallas, Tex

HAS SUCCESSFUL OPERATION

Dr. Hall Performs A Good Operation In Decature, Alabama

Decatur, Ala., Special.—Dr. Geo. C. Hall, of Chicago, and Dr. A. M. Brown, late surgeon in the Tenth Cavalry of the United States Army, but now of Birmingham, two of the most eminent colored physicians in the United States, were here recently and performed a delicate operation on a Decatur Negro. They were assisted in the operation by local physicians.

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Technical schools, manual training schools, special schools in every line are established to teach men their specialties—for this is the age of specialties, but even the teachers in these schools do not know it all. They still have something to learn, and people from whom they must learn are the workers, the men who have had the experience.

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We borrow this nuget of thought from that valuable paper and reproduce it for the benefit of showing to our readers the object of this department of The Freeman.

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The question box, as referred to in a recent letter of Mr. Goins, is one of the needed additions to the work of the progressive methods of treating subjects of the profession.

F. P, THOMPSON DEAD.

It is our painful duty to chronicle the sadden and untimely death of our beloved president, Mr. Frank P. Thompson. His death came at a time when his family and friends were most hopeful of a speedy and permanent recovery. He himself wrote to all members of the Association a letter, a few days before Thanksgiving, in which he expressed his hope and confidence that he would be at his post December 1st, little dreaming the end was so near.

Mr. Thompson had been confined to his bed in the Presbyterian Hospital in New York for nearly four months, where he had gone to be treated for stomach trouble, which has been a great annoyance for more than four years.

To those who heard his annual address delivered before the last convention at Pittsburg there was an apprehension that he would not live to attend another annual meeting of the Association In fact the word was whispered that he was failing and could not last long unless there was a decided change for the better.

Mr. Thompson was a man of great initative and determination, and his object and aim to reorganize the Association and put it in the best possible condition fully testifies to his love and work to better the interest of the waiters of the country. He was a man of great force of character and magnetic personality; a Christian gentleman in every act and thought. The Association has suffered an irreparable loss and the race a great and noble character. The funeral services were held at 255 Decatur street, Brooklyn, N. Y., Wednesday, December 20th, and like services were held in Philadelphia on Thursday December 21, 1905. We all share the sorrow and extend our sympathies to Mrs Thompson and her son in their bereavement.

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G. W. Blome, Headwaiter of The Oliver, South Bend, Ind.	12-06

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What constitutes the qualities of a first-class waiter? The most readily suggestible reply and comparison is to select the good qualities of six of the best waiters you know, then combine them all into one man and you get a good idea of what ought to constitute the qualities of an ideal waiter. Every man has his excellent qualities and his negative qualities, but in many cases the predominating qualities are the negatives. It is only by cultivation and practical application of the positives that they may be made to predominate and as a result the man grows strong and healthy in the eyes of men and in his work. The two positive qualities worthy of first place is character and health. Character is the health of the soul, and health is the character of the body.

It is a source of pleasure to repeat often the wholesome advice given in the recent reprint of our friend: "No man lives for himself alone; he may think he does, and persue his course heedlessly and without regard of its effect on his fellowman, but when the critical moment comes in his career, as come it will to the very best of men, if he is out of elbow-touch with those who, by reason or reputation, would be obligated to assist him, it remains only a question of time when the end of that man's career will be reached."

The dining room at the Rapids Hotel, Alexandria, La., is in charge of James H. Hollins, who has held the position of headwaiter for four years. John Osbone is second waiter; Wesley Williams captain of the watch The following are the sidewaiters: George Perry, James T. Coleman, Wm. Johnson, Charles Tarver and Oliver LeJuene. The following are the cooks: Charles DeLavalade, chef; Thomas Jefferson, second; Howard Smith, third and Henry Norris pastry cook.

The high class restaurants of our big cities have, by vieing with each other, almost unconsciously been conducting a campaign of education among the moderate well-to do. The New York "diner out" to-day is perhaps the most critical of any civilized being. He has been taught how things should be, and he is not content unless he gets them just exactly that way. This is a most exacting standard to live up to, but competition is the life of trade, and to succeed means to excel.

The path of the profession is still bright with the light of old characters who have made and maintained a place time cannot efface. To mention some of these grand old men might prove hurtful to others who, by the merest chance, might be overlooked or some one not well known to the writer but cast the mind's eye over the horizon of memory, doubtless you will recall many whose work is still considered among the best of the present day.

The waiters of the Albion, Augusta Ga, were given an instructive lecture recently by their headwaiter, W E. Tucker, on "Various Kinds of Wines and How They Should be Served." There are twenty men on the roll.

THE AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL IS RIGHT DOWN TO BUSINESS

The Afro-American Council has a Specific Object.

It is laboring to unite men and women who are agreed that since the civil and political rights of the Negro are denied or abridged in many states of Union it is our sacred duty to contend by legal process for a restoration of all rights to which we are entitled as American citizens.

In 1902 the Council made a gallant fight contesting the Louisiana disfranchisement law; in 1903 with herculean strength we went at the Alabama law; in 1904 we made a fight against the Pullman Company for discriminating and in 1905 our legal adviser succeeded in wiping out the separate car laws of Florida. As custodians of a great trust committed to us, we did our best with the means in hand. Our fight is one that must go on until we are free from every discriminating law. Now, to make this fight, it takes money. As we write you this letter, our legal adviser has a case in hand in Pensacola, Fla. There the city aims to enforce the "Jim Crow" street car law, despite its unconstitutionality. The 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution which made us free, the 14th which made us men and the 15th which made us citizens, are on trial as never before. Let us make no defense; only keep quiet and "Wait." Don't agitate, just sit still and within ten years more, custom will have us disfranchised and cornered until there will be no way out. Missouri has no separate car law, and yet every train going south and southwest from St Louis, has its signs, "For Whites Only;" "For Colored Passenger." The I. C., delivered its cars to the B. & O, in this city and with their discriminating signs they went on to St. Louis and Cincinnati.

As Secretary of the Council, I took the matter up with the Superintendent and the following is an extract from his letters:

The Baltimore & Ohio S.-W, R R Co:
Offices of the Vice President
and General Manager,
Cincinnati, O Sept. 15 1905:
Mr. L G. Jordan, 726 W Walnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.:

Dear Sir.—I have your letter of Sept. 13th. The signs you refer to I find are securely fastened to the partitions in the Illinois Central coaches. It is not, therefore, neglect on the part of our conductors or porters that they are permitted to remain after the cars are delivered to us.

You speak of this being a violation of the law. Will you kindly give me reference thereto? We know of no law prohibiting these signs.

Yours truly, WM. M. GREENE.

This road runs through Indiana and and Ohio, the home of vice President Fairbanks and our late President McKinley—, but to our next letter he wrote:

October 11, 1905.
L.G. Jordan, D D., 726 W. Walnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.:

Dear Sir —Further referring to our correspondence with reference to signs in the Illinois Central coaches concerning separate apartments for white and colored people.

I have arranged to have these signs removed when the equipment is received from the Illinois Central, and I trust we will be able to avoid any friction through this arrangement.

Yours truly, WM. M GREENE.

In another case some of the women of our race were railed at and humiliated by a conductor on the C. & O, road. This we took up with their management and the following is self-explanatory:

October 26, 1905.
Rev. L. G. Jordan, D. D, Cor sec'y
The National Afro-American Council,
726 W. Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.:

Sir.—I have your letter of Oct. 24th and regret that our conductor should have given offense, which is not approved by the Company. He will be called to account for it. Yours truly,

C. E. DOYLE, Gen. Mgr.

In another case of discrimination in a daily paper we called the editor's attention to it and the following is an extract from his letter:

"The Louisville Herald.
Rev. L. G Jordan, D D,
726 W. Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.:

My Dear Sir.—I beg to acknowledge your favor of the 18th, enclosing two clipping from the Louisville Herald of Thursday and have carefully noted your criticism of the same.

Your criticism which is intelligent and directly to the point applies closely to conditions existing to day in our great news centers Unless viewed with liberality, these conditions can make cynics of us all regarding humanity in general. From a purely psychological standpoint, it does seem that the appetite for news at the present time runs to scandal, riot, murders and all that takes place on the dark side of life known under the general term of 'human interest stuff,' rather than what is good and elevating. * * * *

I am certainly much interested, as we all should be, in the manifest attempt on the part of the better class of your race to elevate itself and to improve your usefulness to society and I heartily agree with influence in your letter that an effort to expose the vicious and to suppress the good would be extremely injurious, not only to your people, but to our great American country.

With best wishes for the welfare of yourself and your undertaking, I am

Very truly yours,
GEO. A. NEWMAN, Jr,
Editor and Publisher."

I give these three letters to show what the Council is doing to carry out the work for which it was organized.

The Council is non-partisan, non-sectarian and stands for principles, not men; for the race and not politicians. Whatever may have been charged as a mistake in the past, the Council at its Detroit meeting, purged itself and declared that it would forever stand on its original platform and begin anew the defense for the civil and political rights of the race

The legal bureau is handicapped for want of funds to test cases constantly put into our hands. The liberty that cost the lives of thousands of heroes is too sweet to give up on demand. If agitation if contention, if money, if life is the price of liberty, civil and political, it is worth every speech the Negro has made in its defense and every drop of blood he has spilled in forty years and every dollar he has earned since 1865 to purchase it. Garrison, whose anniverary occurred this month, spent his entire life in breaking our shackles. An intrepid and uncompromising reformer whose burning words still ring in our ears. He too fully expressed the determination of the Afro-American Council in the present fight for our political and civil rights when he declared, "I am in earnest—I will not equivocate —I will not excuse—I will not retreat a single inch—AND WILL BE HEARD."

We would be unworthy of this great friend, whose sacrifices and sufferings for us are without parallel in history, if we sit down and allow ourselves to be manacled again. No chains must be fastened about us nor strings tied to our rights. There are men among us who have freely embibed the Garrisonian spirit and these men are going to be heard.

Yours for the uplift of the race,
L. G. JORDAN,
726 W. Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.

MAY ERECT BIG FACTOREIS

A Company With Large Capital May Establish Factories in South.

Cherryvale, Kan., Special.—The Negroes of this state are organizing an industrial movement which they intend to carry into all the Southern and Southwestern states. The plan is to raise money and establish factories to employ Negroes, to buy farms and sell lots to them on small monthly payments and to encourage in Negroes generally a spirit of industry and frugality. An organization has been affected and a company chartered with an authorized capital of $1,000,000. The shares are being sold at par.

Chas. D. Clem one of the organizers, in an address here said:

"A few years ago there were many avenues of employment open to the Negro which are absolutely barred to him now. White girls have taken the place of Negro girls as servants, and white boys have taken the place of colored boys for all sorts of general work. As a consequence, when a Negro boy or girl comes out of school these days there is nothing for them to do, and they drift into mischievousness and crime.

The solution of the Negro question is not to be found in legislation, but in giving the Negro an opportunity to go to work. The Negro must do this for himself. Before he earns the respect of his white brothers he must show a capacity to take care of himself and to provide employment for his boys and his girls. This movement is not for the purpose of making money, but for giving every member of our race something useful to do. We purpose the establishment of small factories, laundries and the like, which many of our race are competent to operate,

"We propose to buy tracts of farming lands, cut them up into small tracts of from four to five acres, sell them on long time and encourage the development of truck farming throughout the South. These industries, scattered throughout the country south of Mason and Dixon's line, will tend to stop the congestion of the Negro race in the cities and to decrease the percentage of Negroes in the penitentiaries and jails of the country."

PEONAGE CASE IN MISSISSIPPI

A Boy Given His Liberty After Being Shackled And Confined on Three Mississippi Convict Farms.

Jackson, Miss., Special.—Attorneys Beadle and Howard, of Jackson, Miss., have achieved a signal victory in the Habeas Corpus case brought by them before the Hon H. C. Niles, Judge of the United States Circuit Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, for the release of one George Wilson, a minor, who was being held by a private individual and being forced to work out a debt in addition to being shackled and confined on three County Convict Farms of Holmes County, Mississippi,

This boy received very cruel and inhuman treatment while incarcerated, so much so that he had become a paralytic in one of his sides and he is afflicted in many other ways.

Every effort was exhausted by the relatives of George Wilson to get him released. But they were of no avail. They finally sought the services of these attorneys who sued out a Writ of Habeas Corpus, returnable before Judge Niles. The management of the Convict Farm employed some of the best white legal talent to be had in the state and a stubborn contest ensued. Among these attorneys was Senater E. F Neal who was a candidate for Governor against Governor Vardaman in the last gubernaterial campaign.

After a long and bitter fight the boy was given his liberty and the defendants were ordered to put up the costs in the case. The attorneys for Wilson will now institute proceedings for damages. Messrs. S. A. Beadle and P. W. Howard, who make up this firm, have received many congratulations for their fearless and skillful handling of the case. This case has attracted a great deal of attention and comment in this state.

JIM CROW CARS IN JANUARY

Separate Seat Measure Will Come In Effect Jan. 4th.

Dallas, Tex., Special.—According to a ruling made by the city attorney the separate seat ordinance will not go into effect until thirty days after the date of the approval by the municipal commission. Acting on this ruling the street railway companies will not comply with the provisions of the ordinance until after January 4, 1906

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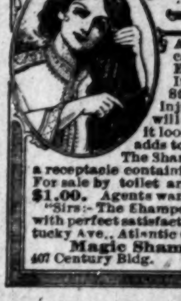

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THE PRESIDENT AND THE POLITICIANS.

That is a pretty muss that is brewing between the President and the politicians. It is not his first trouble with them. It was with some difficulty that he succeeded in getting the Cuban reciprocity treaty through Congress, and we apprehend more trouble to come. The politicians did not take kindly to his refusal to endorse political freebooters that were fighting for the lives during the last campaign. They do not look with much favor on his proposed rate legislation, and there is already an expressed determination to allow him less freedom in superintending the digging of that ditch across Panama. Mr. Odell of New York has charged him with interference in the politics of that State, and has even gone so far as to charge that he will disrupt the Republican party.

It is our firm belief that the whole trouble springs from the fact that politicians in his party have found in him a rugged honesty both unusual and unexpected. To be sure it is quite an unusual thing for a President to wish for the defeat of any of the candidates of his party, even though they deserve defeat ever so much. Party politics has descended to such a depth that the chief executive is expected to give his approval of candidates when asked to do so. Not only did Mr Roosevelt not do this, but he let it be known that he neither favored corrupt methods or corrupt candidates.

Again, it could not be believed that the President really meant it when he asked for legislation against corporations and combines that were plundering the people. They took it for granted that he must be the same old play where the villians are killed before the audience and then get up and walk off the stage after the curtain falls. It has always been so, and why not now? But they are now convinced that he really means it, and they are beginning to discover that rate legislation would be bad—especially bad on the poor working man. Thus they seek to appear zealous in guarding the interests of their constituents.

As to the Panama difference, they had better beware who attempt to scotch the wheel of progress. It is no new suspicion that the trans-continental railroads will be sure to manifest opposition to the construction of the canal when work was once begun in earnest, for it is clear to be seen that when the canal is once in operation the harvests of the railroads in carrying freight across the continent will be at an end. For this reason we may expect that a silent "influence" will be exerted to cause delay, and anything that causes unnecessary delay is more than likely to have the flavor of this "influence."

We believe that the President, backed by the people as he is on all these points, has decidedly the best of the situation He is not only willing to have a less free hand in the canal zone, but we are informed that he will anticipate this move by Congress by asking that it relieve him by taking upon itself a larger share of responsibility in that work. We believe that on all points of difference the President stands more nearly for the interests of the people than do the politicians, and for this reason we believe they are playing with the buzzsaw when they oppose him on technical and questionable grounds.

A local paper contained a column article on the 26th inst., under the head "Wed White Girl." It is a published report that Harry W. Furniss has taken unto himself a Spanish lady for a wife, and that the news was kept quiet for fear of ostracism and opposition from many sources. Especially was it thought that information on this point might have endangered his confirmation as minister to Hayti.

We shall now expect to hear this matter threshed over and over through the press without little change in belief as to the propriety or wisdom of such a union. As for ourselves we can only say that if the two most directly interested are satisfied with the union we cannot see that any one else should be concerned. It is the business of but two people or, at most, of but two families.

Indiana has again come to the front with another political scandal. Indiana is seldom found wanting in such things. Politics has had about as rank a growth in this State as can be found elsewhere in the Union. The work is begun here in the kindergarten stage. One develops to a formidable size in some locality and he must then be taken care of. He gets a nomination for something, and the false god, "party regularity," decrees that any found guilty of political apostacy must die the death. Thus it is that wolves and sheep pass in together.

Congressman Fred Landis of Indiana proposes to regulate the insurance companies by enacting a law under which they must operate within the District of Columbia. The refusal of any company to comply with this law would be proof to the people everywhere that such insurance company was continuing the present notorious abuses. There may be a better way of getting at these modern "high binders," but we have not heard of it.

Russia seems to have learned nothing from the experience of France. It will be a long time before the classes give up their occupation of living on the backs of the masses. As Louis F. Post once said, "they are willing to do anything for the toilers except get off their backs." In this respect the Russians are not much different from some people we know.

The greatest blessing that could come to this country would be the uprooting of the spoils system. We cannot make progress in economic reforms so long as a horde of office hunters are allowed to befog the issues. Our present methods tend to perpetuate ignorance. The people must make their way over the heads of the politicians.

The time was not long ago that a good book by a colored author would have been a hard thing to find. The list was short and the quality doubtful To-day any one who possesses all of the highly creditable volumns is sure to have a large collection of books.

The revolutionists of Russia have demanded that the pricsts stop saying prayers for the Czar. Judging from the amount of trouble he has been having for the past two years it might be to the advantage of the revolutionists to let the prists continue their prayers.

Unless we miss our guess the old line Republicans are getting well along digging their political graves. The Roosevelt, Jerome, Weaver, LaFollette and Hanly brand of Republicanism is in the ascendant.

A report from Pittsburg, Pa., states that this has been "another big year for iron and steel."

Yes, it has been especially good for steal.

A street car containing thirteen passengers was held up and robbed on Christmas eve in Pasadena, Cal. This fatal number did not prevent the hold-up men from getting away with the money.

Things may get into such a state during the next four years that it may become necessary for Mr. Roosevelt to just keep the job for another term so as to get things straightened out.

New Year's resolutions are better than no resolutions, but there is little faith to be put in a man's good resolves who waits until the new year to put them into effect.

As New Year's day is the time for making good resolves and quitting bad habits how would it do for our churches to swear off from the parade habit?

We are not hearing much just now from our old friends—Governor Vardaman and Senator Tillman. The silence is ominous.

We have five churches in this city whose members have abandoned the parade method of taking up collections.

The value of a present depends somewhat upon who gives it.

It is our sincere wish that no fault of your own may prevent you from having a happy and prosperous New Year.

If the time ever comes when Christmas presents are given only to the deserving some of us may not get any.

The Santa Claus game is getting to be almost as hazardous as foot ball.

Did you read "Saint Dixon at the Gate" in our Christmas number?

SHORT FLIGHTS.

Tom Dixon now knows the difference between fame and notoriety.

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Dr. W. T. Vernon can fall back on the assurance of "something equally as good."

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The sympathy of the country goes out to Bishops Arnett and Hood in their hour of affliction.

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Editor Chris Perry is doing some solemn thinking these days, and reflecting upon the ingratitude of republics.

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Since Vice-president Fairbanks moved to K street in Washington he is considerably nearer the White House than he used to be.

Fairbanks, Foraker, Taft, Root or Shaw may have Folk of Missouri to beat for the presidency in 1908. And some Folks are hard to beat.

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Jay Wesley Cromwell is permitting Bethel Literary to give visible evidence of progress, and the society is rapidly regaining its pristine popularity.

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It develops that Bishop Alexander Walters has never had the title of "D. D." conferred upon him. Perhaps he has never felt the need of it.

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Since the Jewish problem has grown so acute by reason of the atrocities in Russia, the children of Israel are crowding the sons of Ham out of the center of the stage.

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Giles B. Jackson is not a quitter. He and his Jamestown exposition refuse to be sand-bagged out of existance, and the effervescent Giles is putting them over in rapid fashion.

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The Negro girl who does her duty wherever she is placed is entitled to respect, be her station that of the mistress in the parlor or at the kitchen range as "Merely Mary Ann."

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It is a genuine pleasure to observe that the Hon. John P. Creen is running the well known Second Baptist Lyceum at Washington to suit the fastidious taste of the Hon. W. Calvin Chase.

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The "globe-trotters" of Washington society are regaling the pink teas and parlor socials with "travelogues"—a pleasing departure from the usual inane gossip and profitless small-talk.

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With their intelligence and their capacity for handling money the Jews of Russia hold the key to the future progress of that benighted Empire. They are biding their time and keeping an eye open for the main chance.

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The Indian foot-ball team from the Carlisle school beat the proud West Pointers to a standstill, not long ago, in full view of Prince Louis of Battenberg. Strange to say, we have not heard anything of a "red peril."

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The United States furnishes three-fourths of the cotton of the world, and the Negro furnishes three-fourths or more of that produced in the United States. Is not Ethiopia stretching forth her hand as foretold in Holy Writ?

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Cleveland, Ohio, points with pardonable pride to the large number of talented Negroes she has given to the artistic, political and commercial world. Unquestionably the Buckeye metropolis has done well for her day and generation, and the end is not yet.

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There are no signs that the millenium is dangerously near, yet the fact remains that the editor of the Washington Bee and the ex-editor of the late Colored American are smoking the pipe of peace—and with a degree of enjoyment that warms the cockles of one's heart.

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Marvin Hart, Rob Fitzsimmons and Batting Nelson will not take chances on being "licked" by a Negro. The pugilistic game is not what it was when Peter Jackson, George Dixon, Joe Walcott, Joe Gans, George Godfrey and the 'Coffee Cooler" were in the hey-day of their glory.

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The denominational vanity which insists upon saddling six struggling churches and six half-starved preachers upon a poor little community is a crime against Christianity and an assault upon common sense. The federation of our religious bodies would be a step in the direction of reform of this glaring species of mal administration.

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"Love laughs at locksmiths" and defies the miscegenation laws as well. The way Negroes, whites, Chinese, Indians and Italians are intermarrying is "something fierce." Cupid always did decline to work along systematic or conventional lines. The little god is no respecter of traditions or racial animosities.

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It must be admitted by those who follow the fortunes of politics that in placing Editor Wilkins on the Chicago charter commission, Mayor Dunne "trumped" Governor Deneen, capturing his ace, jack, dauce and ten-spot at one fell swoop. It was an easy case of "high, low, jack and the game," in the vernacular of the green cloth.

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The office of the Recorder of Deeds is now an organic part of the machinery of the District of Columbia. To stand for an examination for a place therein, an applicant must be a bona fide resident of the District. The voteless Columbians have some rights that the people of North Carolina, Indiana, Iowa, New York and Ohio are bound to respect.

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Business interests make strange bedfellows. The interpreter for the Indians who are in Washington conferring with the "Great Father" is a Negro-Hutelkemico by name. His hair is snow-white, framing a face as black as ebony, and is about eighty-five years old. He was formerly a slave of a Creek master and remembers when the Creeks migrated from Mississippi and Alabama to the Indian Territory.

R. W. THOMPSON.

THE DEFENSE LEAGUE.

It is believed that one of the most prejudicial causes which operates against that higher race unity demanded in the interests of simple justice and a Chiristian civilization is, that aspersions and misrepresentations coming from those of prominence have been allowed to go practically unanswered. We have witnessed the poisoning of the public mind by writers and platform speakers of the South until its ill effect has become noticeable everywhere. The race has been maligned time and again without bringing to the offenders either a protest or reply. Is there not, therefore, some ground for these charges of wholesale ignorance and incompetence when these charges are not met by us? Have not those who misrepresent us a right to construe our silence as pleading guilty, when neither reply nor protest comes to them? We are abundantly able to meet the arguments of these men on the ground of their own choosing, and the interests of the race demand that this be done. This is the purpose of the Defense League of letter writers. On and after Sept. 1st, any such case or cases coming to our notice will be called to the attention of the Defense League in these columns, and within thirty thereafter each member will be expected to address a well written letter in answer thereto. It will cost only a postage stamp, and a little time. One hundred of thes letters concentrated on a given point, and all coming within thirty days, cannot fail to produce and effect that will be helpful. The absence of ostentation and display does not mean that this movement will thereby be productive if any less of that which is good. Will you join us?

Address G. W. Cable, Editor, Freeman.

FULLY CONCLUDED TO SURRENDER.

Bishop Henry M. Turner of the A. M. E. Church and the editor of the Denver Republican have had their say about the Negro going to Africa. That is a much mooted question, goes without saying both among the whites as well as among the colored people themselves. The African Colonization Society was arganized by under-graduates at Williams College in 1808. It was transferred to Princeton College in 1816. Many prominent men, including Dr. Finley, its president, Thomas Jefferson and Henry Clay regarded this movement as the wise and humane way of settling the vexed slavery problem but after the most difficult labor and large expenditure of money only a feeble colony now exists in Liberia. The Negro has been sweating and fighting it out here for nearly three centuries and has about fully concluded not to surrender now.—Colorado Statesman.

IT IS NO WONDER.

A preacher, at the conclusion of one of his sermons, said: "Let all in the house who are paying their debts stand up." Instantly every man, woman and child, with one exception, rose to their feet. The preacher seated them and said: "Now, every man not paying his debts stand up." The exception noted a care-worn, hungry looking individual, clothed in his last summer's suit, slowly assume a perpendicular position. "How is it, my friend," asked the minister, "that you are the only man not to meet his obligations?" "I run a newspaper," he meekly answered, "and the brethren who stood up here are all my subscribers, and—" "Let us pray," exclaimed the preacher.—Alabama Baptist.

DULUTH, MINN.

The Chrysanthemum Club gave a reception, December 14, complimentary to Wm. Dawson and Robert Moody, formerly of Indianapolis, Ind., and S. Dago of Chicago. The decorations were of chrysanthemums and roses; red and white ribbon streamers from the corners of the room, crossing in the center, from which a cluster of bells were suspended. The features of the evening's entertainment were dancing and whist. A flash light picture was taken of the guests seated at the table. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. L. Bralser, Mr. and Mrs R Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. James, Mr. and Mrs. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. G. Coffers, Mr. and Mrs. D. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Simms, C. Brady, C. O'Neal, L. Brooks, J. Patton, W. Ramsey, B. C. Officen, K. Barber, N. Wright, J. Ash, C. Hardere, J. East, C. Black, F. Henry, W. Coleman, S. Dago, S. F. Cenmon, R. Mallory, L. P. Payne, P. Slaffias, R. M. Chase, D. Henry, W. W. Slockton, Messrs. Macingold Tonstall and Karnagy; Mesdames Simpson, Ridgely, Newman, N. Bowen, M. Steele, C. Greene; Misses F. Williams, J. Speeds Jessie Shephard, Leta Basel and Eva Bonnen. The committee on arrangements was Mrs. Fannie Coleman, president; Mrs. Mamie Jacobs, vice-president; Miss Carrie Alexander, secretary; Mrs. Maggie Dago, treasurer. Robert Moody was toastmaster.

IS THIS TRUE WITH YOU?

Some colored folks pay for race newspapers willingly; some colored folks pay for them grudgingly and some other colored folks do not pay for them at all. Those of the first class are the glory of the publisher and those of the last named class tend to make him lose all hope of heaven.—The People's Recorder.

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THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

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denial, which, it is to be hoped, closes the incident, as far as he is concerned, at least. The East Orange Board, it appears, got itself into pretty hot water over its uncalled for action in separating the colored and white children, and in casting about for excuses for its narrowness, some of the members of the Board circulated the statement that their scheme of Jim Crow classes had the approval of Booker T. Washington, having been submitted by them to the noted Negro educator. Two members of the City Council have said that this statement was made to them by a member of the Board of Education. Of course, as soon as it became noised about that Dr. Washington had approved the scheme, a good many people began to think that after all the Board might be in the right. Unfortunately for the Board, however, Dr. Washington promptly administered a quietus to this by writing the following brief, but pointed and emphatic letter to Mr. Robert A. Travis, one of East Orange's leading citizens, and who is prominently identified with the school fight. Said Dr. Washington:

"Dear Mr. Travis.—In reply to your letter of recent date, would say that I have given no opinion or advice on the subject to which your letter refers. I am frequently quoted on such matters without authority."

Those who undertake to write or speak on the school trouble at East Orange should not overlook this positive and equivocal denial by Dr. Washington of any interference in what is purely a local matter.

The address of Mr. Emmett J Scott at Tuskegee on the "Lessons of William Lloyd Garrison's Life," was out of the usual run of such productions, and merits the many encomiums it has received at the hands of the country's best thinkers. It was replete with original suggestions, and placed the eminent abolitionist before the world in a setting that gave his life an instructive value far beyond that afforded by the ful some laudation of the average orator. Mr. Scott has few equals in the art of putting great thoughts in a simple way, and of getting the meat out of a mass of matter by the speediest and most luminous route. As a speaker and as a writer, he has made a reputation that is national in scope.

As we close business for the day, the Registership of the Treasury controversy is in statu quo. The selection of a successor to Mr. Lyons is wholly in the hands of the President of the United States.

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A SON OF GARRISON SPEAKS

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encouragement alike in such object lessons as that wonderful procession, marshalled by Booker Washington, which passed before the President at Tuskegee the other day, and in the triumph of freedom of speech and opinion won by the white faculty—all Southerners—of Trinity College, North Carolina, a few months ago,

"Nor would he doubt our return as a nation to the principles of the Declaration of Independence by surrendering the Philippines to their inhabitants, of our recovery from the fever for large armaments; while in the mighty popular upheavels in Russia and Austria, and the uprising against party tyranny in our own country, he would see the handwriting on the wall for all despotisms, under whatever name or guise."

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The Stage

Black & Jones are booked for Yonkers, N. Y. January 1.

Harry A. Brown, singing cartoonist is booked on the Keith Circuit.

The Two Prices send regards to all friends, wishing them a Happy New Year.

The Arkansaw Minstrels were entertained at dinner Christmas at Lake Charles, La.

J. H. Mosby, after a successful season with Van Amburg Shows is at home with his family.

Prof. William La. DeAcklen, M. D., prima basso of the Slayton Jubilee Singers will begin his concert work in April.

Notes from F. H. Eberhardt's Minstrels We are still in the Sunny South. Arnet Hudgens, the great buck and wing dancer from Hopkinsville, Ky., has joined us.

Notes from the Benbow Minstrels.—We are still making good. William Benbow has just returned to the show from a trip to New Orleans to secure a ten piece band. We now have fifteen people.

Harry Crosby, of the team of The Crosbys is at liberty and invites offers from reliable managers. A good comedian, coon song and dance artist and character performer. Lowery write, 305 Cooper street, Greensburg, Ind.

Pearl Moppin, hoop roller with "A Rabbit's Foot" Company is doing fine through Florida and sends best wishes to A. G. Allen's and Mahara's Minstrels. Samuel Cohen wishes to hear from John Hamilton. Louis Chappelle sends regards to James and Mitchell Chappelle and Alfred Coleman.

Notes from Mahara's Minstrels.—The show is now on its way to California. Everybody is happy in the expectation of being in dear sunny old California, the home of balmy air and perfumed flowers. The business with this aggregation still sticks to that Mahara style plenty of "happy metal" in sight. The members dress to look the part on and off the stage. We have just received a swell consignment of New Market overcoats for street wear and the boys look fine and the ladies are in the same class. W. A. Mahara has just arrived from Chicago where he has been looking after his interests, placing orders for new scenery, costumes, first part settings, electrical effcts and lights, and dresses for the chorus, which he brought with him. Billy Young, late of the Smart Set is the latest acquisition of the show. Miss Bessie LaBell is singing "Loneso me" and "Making Eyes," assisted by the lady sextet. W. Henry Smith has rejoined his quartet a few weeks ago. "The Maharahjah Harmony Four' and they are leaving them screaming as usual and taking eight and ten encores nightly, featuring "Only a Message from Home, Sweet, Home."

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LADIES' LIST.

Allen, Miss Maud C
Cooksey, Miss Susie
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Garland, Mrs H B
Johnson, Miss M E
Marshall, Mrs Lena
Robeson, Miss Ada
Steele, Miss Alberta
Sullivan, Miss Mollie
Teinte, Mrs Bard
Yeres, Miss O O

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Arant, Kid
Armstrong, Roy
Armstrong, Thos
Dotson, W A
Elliott, Foy
Gant, R H
Harris, J H
Hamp Gold Mining Company
Harris, J A
Jordan, J W
Johnson, Sam
La She, Herbert
Looney, E J
McCameron, J H
Mills, Tom O
Moody and James
McCanlon, Prof J C
Payton, Harry
Parker, Chas R
Russell, Joseph
Smith and Bailey
Wise, Jim
White, Capt B Y
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A Rabbit's Foot Co.: Tampa, Fla., Jan. 1.

Billy Kersands' Minstrels: Athens, Ga., Jan. 1; Greenville, S. C., 2; Spartanburg, 3; Columbia, 4; Augusta, Ga., 5; Savannah, 6.

Harrison Bros'. Big Spectacular Minstrels: Thomasville, Ga., Jan. 1; Camelia, 2; Pelham, 3.

Mallory Bros. and Brooks, assisted by Miss Grace Halliday: Colonial Theater, New York City, week of Jan. 1.

Hallback & Parquette: Olympic Theater, Chicago, week of Jan. 1.

Harry Brown: Keith's Theatre, Boston, Mass., week of Jan. 1.

The Brewers (John and Maud and F. R. McAdoo)—Rarortonga, Cook Island, South Seas, December to January.

Al E. Holman's Serenaders - Folies, Manager —Paris, France, Aug. 1 to Sept. 30; Parisiana, Oct. 1 to 31; Nederlausch, Panoticum Amsterdam, Holland, Nov. 1 to 30.

ENTERTAINED AT PITTSBURG.

An elegant reception was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Gordon in honor of Miss Flora Batson, America's queen of song and her friends of the Hogan Company. A lunch was served after which a musicale was given by Miss Batson, Girard Miller, Will Pence, the tenor, and Miss Anna Cook Pankey. The guests were Mesdames Pearl Le Van, Maud Thompson Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Pankey, Will H. Pence, J. H. and Beverly Gordon, C. and Beverly Jackson, Beverly Housley, John Grant, Misses Marie Thomas, Pearl LaVan, Birdie Gillespie, Mamie Jackson, Georgie Mickie, Julia and Lizzie Gordon.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sellers entertained at breakfast complimentary to Ernest Hogan. Those present were Mesdames Ward, Timpson, Byers, Jackson; Tom Logan, William Ward, A. K. Neal, J. N. Byers and Adam Wilson.

Mr, Hogan and his company were also entertained by the Loendi Club, the Elks, John Brown, John Rosmond and several social clubs.

THEATRICAL COMMENT AND PERSONAL NOTES

BY CARLE BROWNE COOKE.

From Greater Few York.

I wish all my friends, both home and abroad a most healthful, successful and real Happy New Year. Thanks to those who have remembered me. I shall strive to do the very best I can in the future in justice to you and myself as long as the Creator gives me grace and strength to do so.

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The Abyssinian Maidens, after eight weeks' work laid off a week, enjoying a few days' rest and quiet. Mrs. Ada Overton Walker is starring in the act and America's real critics say she is one of the cleverest soubrets on the stage. As I do a good deal of press work for Williams & Walker, I am afforded an opportunity of being directly associated with them a great deal more than any other journalist except Prof. D. E, Tobias, who is on the Paris Review staff, and is also at present connected with the team in their new business office recently opened at 42 West Twenty-eighth street, Jack Shoemaker is their new manager. This office is separate from the Gotham Attucks Music Publishing Company, of which Richard McPherson, the song-writer (Cecil Mack) is the manager

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The royal comedians use their old title originated by George Walker, "The Two Real Coons" during their present engagement in high-class variety. They played to full houses at the new Alhambra in Harlem, where they were specially featured headliners. It was their first appearance at the Alhambra and they presented an act framed around the famous detective story scene from their great musical comedy, "In Dahomey." The stars are supported by Lawrence Chenault, Charles Foster, George A. Hammond, T. B. Robinson, Charles Gilpin, Hattie Hopkins, Minnie Brown, Bessie Payne, Ada Guiguesse and Daisy Topley. The company played at the Orpheum in Brooklyn Christmas week. After a limited amount of vaudeville work Williams & Walker will call rehearsals for the great Ethiopian comic opera "Abyssinia" by Shipp and Rogers, This new thought is a tremendous undertaking and the most costly spectacular affair that any two comedians have ever attempted to unfold to the American amusement lovers. The score composed for "Abyssinia" comprises some of the best and heaviest musical creations ever composed by our latter day musicians. Will Marion Cooke, the composer has contributed his best work to the score of this only real comic opera of the Africans, and the most tremendous production that will be produced this spring will be the really great and original "Abyssinia." Prof. Cooke is now in London with his big Tennessee Students vaudeville act, which is at the Palace headed by Miss Abbie Mitchell, the sweet soprano.

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I received the following clipping from London: "The Empire Theatre—The Monday performance was well attended. On Wednesday the Brittons appeared at the Palace much to the surprise of the audience which filled that house, One of the principal members of the "Follies" the head-line cast, was ill. So a big number had to be secured at once. The Brittons were the first in Manager Butts' mind, and through the courtesy of the management of the Empire where the colored performers are playing, he was able to secure their services after they had concluded their Empire work. Needless to say that they repeated their big hit at the Palace." This news was gratifying indeed as it was expected that the Brittons would return to the continent some weeks ago. Next week they will appear in their new act at the Appolo Theatre, Dusseldorf, Germany.

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The famous Irving Jones and wife are still in London. Miss Bell Davis and her American Pickaninies appeared on the bill to good success at the Palace in London a few weeks ago. They played on the continent several months, Rastus & Banks opened in London December 18, to great success. Johnson & Dean, Charles and Dora are still playing the varieties in Germany.

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Pete Hampton is doing well in Paris. He is there with Joe Warmsley, Fred Douglass and Walter Richardson. It is reported that Edith Adams died in a hospital about three weeks ago at Paris. Her chum, Reine Morris was in London at the time and was greatly shocked. So great was her sorrow that she attempted self-destruction, but fortunately the timely interference of some of Will Cooke's musicians prevented her from doing so. Miss Morris wants to be in America by June.

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F. W. Dunn, a great patron of the Colored American profession, an admirer of The Freeman and a favorite in Harlem society is spending the holidays in Fayetteville, N. C., with relatives.

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The recent death of George W. Pope, the professional barber at the Lincoln Hospital in the Borough of Bronx N. Y., was quite a shock to his friends. He was 51 years old and originally from Thomasville, Ga. His remains were interred at the vault in Cypress Hill Cemetery. Mr. Pope was last employed at Jones Tonsorial Parlors at 109 West Thirty-first street, New York, and an intimate friend of Prof, Mayse. Philadelphia, Baltimore and Chicago race papers please copy.

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The music to Paul Lawrence Dunbar's sweet song "Good Night" was composed by Prof. N. Clark Smith, of Chicago, leader of the Eighth Regiment Band and who is also an instructor of a large private class. He is doing a grand work for the race in music.

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In my last letter from the stage manager of the Rufus Rastus Company, I was glad to note the continued success of the entire aggregation. The only ones to be closed were Wormley, bass and Toliver, tenor singers. Miss Watts was hurt by a street car in Chicago, but no one was left to look into the affair. They will play at the American Theatre in Manhattan very soon. Henri Troy is making an impression with his song "Consolation," by Thomas Lemonier. Miss Anna Cook and the other leading sopranos are doing very good work. So is Harry Gillam, whose versatility is hardly excelled by any other young colored actor-comedian now appearing on the American stage. While Hogan and Green are of course capable of delivering the real goods at all times. Frances Morris is the leading baritone and possesses one of the finest voices in the aggregation.

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The Sam Lucas Night, the grand vaudeville smoker and luncheon given at the Theatrical Professional Club, December 7, at New York was a decided success. Mr. Lucas, the noted star was assisted in presenting a most clever performance by the following star artists: Hattie Hopkins and Lawrence Chenault, from Williams & Walker Company; Thomas Lemonier and Carle Cooke, late of Hogan's Company; The Prampins, Thomas Carter, Wellmon and Marshall, dialect comedians; Fletcher and Bailey, Newell Morse, the dandy-doodle-boy; Miss Rose Browne, the clever soubret, William Humphreys, banjoist, Henri Strange, noted tragedian and the famous Golden Gate Quartet, The affair was under the personal direction of Carle B Cooke'

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ALICE MACKEY RETURNS TO THE STAGE

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

"Anon and oblivion but not forever" is the creed of airy fairy Alice Mackey. But such are the ways of actresses. Everybody knew she would return to the stage again. Nobody thought she wouldn't; all she needed was a good opening and a fair chance. Alice's history? No. What's the use of that? Everybody knows Alice Mackey.

It just happened like this. When the news began to flash around New York last summer that Madam Marion Adams Harris, the creole beauty and sweet singer of the West had relinquished her position with Ernest Hogan's "Rufus Rastus" company on account of a series of colds and nervous prostration, everybody wondered who in the world with voice and beauty could fill her place. Nobody knew and nobody cared except actresses. Actresses, you know always interested in each other, no matter for what, whether it be jealousy or genuine love, are ever anxious to advance. Then the word came 'twas Alice Mackey. Carita Day and Mamie Emerson, in tears as it were, cried "never;" but yes it was so—another female star had come to shine among the shady and add to the lustre of Ernest Hogan.

Anna Cook Pankey was no doubt glad the rival soprano had gone and was replaced by a low-voiced contralto, for Alice Mackey you know, if you haven't forgotten is America's greatest living colored contralto. She first dawned in New York from the West with Madam Sissieretta Jones (Black Patti) and the blending of their voices in the sextet from "Lucia" has never been equaled by any extracts of opera presented in the Troubadour company Then Alice joined Cole & Johnson's company for awhile; then she tried being a soubret and with Williams & Walker's Company she sung and danced Sydney Perrin's "Dinah" in such a manner that Ada Overton Walker never recovered from the shock until the coming of "Hannah from Savannah." By that time Alice had faded from view and her large brown chestnut eyes which made her a stage beauty were missing.

It was said that sweet Alice had married rich; one rumor of that kind was sufficient; she never would return to the stage, they said but she did, and the chances are she will now be able to add to her riches. But discussion among actresses is general; their views of each other are not like the public's views. While M. Cecil Watts or other prima donnas discuss, "Can she sing like me?" Mauriel Ringold whispers. "Can she dance like me?" And yet with all Miss Mackey comes as leading lady. These are the grounds upon which actresses build their hopes and never lose their faith until time and age betray them. But pardon me. I do not mean by this that actresses get gray or even grow old or even retire forever. Like Miss Mackey they may retire for a little while just for recreation. Miss Mackey's was one grand unusually long exit, Now people are asking, "Can she sing good yet?" Does she still dance well or are her ankles weak? Do her shoes fit snug and pretty? Does she dress like Mrs. Walker? And most pertinent of all, does she still wear a withered bunch of roses behind her ear as she did before the styles of old changed? These are questions the puplic with whom she is so popular is asking. I must tell the public to wait till she gets to New York and see.

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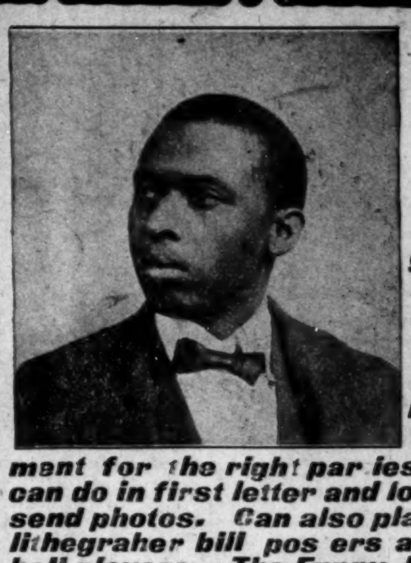

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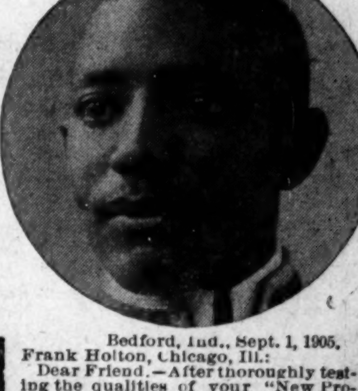

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York with a hungering fear that drew his eyes often wistfully toward Mount Vernon. There sat the lad he had trained and molded, "the first soldier in Virginia," a grave man. They whispered evil things of this man's loyalty now, but the baron for long shut his ears and would not hear.

The time came soon when Tories were hated, despised, driven by fire from their homes, their property confiscated. But this old man alone was not touched.

"Let the rebels come!" he had roared, pounding the floor with his thorn stick. "Let them come! I met the Indians here in '55, and I leave for no cursed rebels. The king may not be able to protect, but he will reimburse me."

But Tories and Whigs passed by alike, and not a pound was touched in his storehouse, not a horse taken from his stables. When the foragers swept the valleys his field slaves slunk away with the rest, but he had not a house negro who did not stay with him to the end.

The final chapter was opened at last. Lafayette was marching southward with twelve hundred of Washington's own light infantry. The word had struck sharper than an adder's tooth—the bloody snows of Valley Forge, the pelting retreat through the Jersies, want, rout, discouragement and despair! The king must win, and George Washington was gone too far even for love's forgiveness. Now he sent his rebels to his own natal colony to hurl them in a final desperate attack at the king's throat.

After this news the baron took to his couch and closed his doors against report. Through all the war Washington had found time to send gentle and tender letters to his old friend. These my lord had read, longing for some sign of sorrow or of turning, but they had brought none. Now he read no more.

One morning Anne stood at the deep set window of her room at Castle Hill. Far away, their dim splendor relieved by golden gorges of early sunlight, reared the solitary mountains, hung with pale green, pale gold and blent lavender and graylike faded tapestries. The June breeze was soft with the first thrill of summer, blowing across the shelving fields. Birds were fluting in the tulip trees, and the dewed odor of roses lay on the garden, drenchingly sweet. The place seemed safe folded from the war that lay, a sullen fiend in a cloud, far away across the Virginia hills.

A distant clatter came to her, and she looked and listened where the eastern road bent behind clusters of trees. Almost before she had guessed the meaning of the sound a troop of dragoons, whose red coats proclaimed them British, dashed into view and rode at top speed toward the house.

The British! So far to the westward! What could it mean? Then, in clutching apprehension, she fled downstairs to Mrs. Walker's room, to find that lady already dressing with speed and trepidation. As she opened the door, the yard below swarmed with a confusion of soldiers and shrieking servants.

"Stay where you are," came Dr. Walker's voice from the next room. "I am going."

"No, doctor," Mrs. Walker opposed. "I am going myself." And go she did, Anne with her.

Aunt Daph', the cook, having fled from the kitchen, was crouched, shuddering, at the foot of the stair. "Dem's de Britishers, missus!" she moaned. "Dem's de Britishers!"

"I know it," answered Mrs. Walker calmly as a knock thundered at the door. "Go back to your kitchen."

The figure on the threshold bowed till his plumes swept the sill.

"Pardon me, madam—ladies," he began, "but I must ask of your hospitality a breakfast for myself and my officers. I may introduce myself? Colonel Tarleton of the British legion, at your service."

Anne caught an astonished breath at realization that she was standing before the most dreaded of Cornwallis' cavalry leaders. Could this red cheeked, petulant lipped lad be the dragoon of whose cruelty and daring she had so often heard? She courtesied slowly to his bow.

"I might add," announced the visitor, "that no harm shall be done this property. We have business farther on."

Farther on! Anne's mind leaped to the thought of Charlottesville, only six miles away. The Virginia assembly was in session there. And Henry! She must gain a little time.

"Let me see to the breakfast, Mrs. Walker," she volunteered. Aunt Daph' is quite distracted."

Tarleton smiled, bowed again to her and clanked to the door. Then Anne caught Mrs. Walker's hand and whispered: "'Tis a raid on the assembly. We must keep them here as long as possible. Tell the doctor."

She had no time to speak further, for Tarleton re-entered with the others.

"I have been obliged to set a guard about the negro quarters and at the front and rear entrances of the house," he said. "We shall soon relieve you of this inconvenience. Ah, doctor, good morning!"

Anne betook herself to the kitchen and stirred Aunt Daph' to activity. While the great fire roared her brain was busy. She must get through that cordon of redcoats—must—must!

As the cook piled the irons with fragments of chicken, Anne's eyes, through the back door and window, took in the situation. Full a dozen troopers were grouped there, stretched lazily in the sun, their horses hobbled and cropping grass eagerly in a widening half circle. The quarters were on the farther side, out of sight from the kitchen. Seeing, she bade Aunt Daph' lay more of the chicken on the racks and herself fed the fire till its heat scorched her cheeks.

"'Clar' ter goodness, Mis' Anne, yo' got 'nuff dar fo' fo'ty, 'stid o' fo'!"

"Hush!" Anne commanded. "Go and lay one of the tables in the milk room."

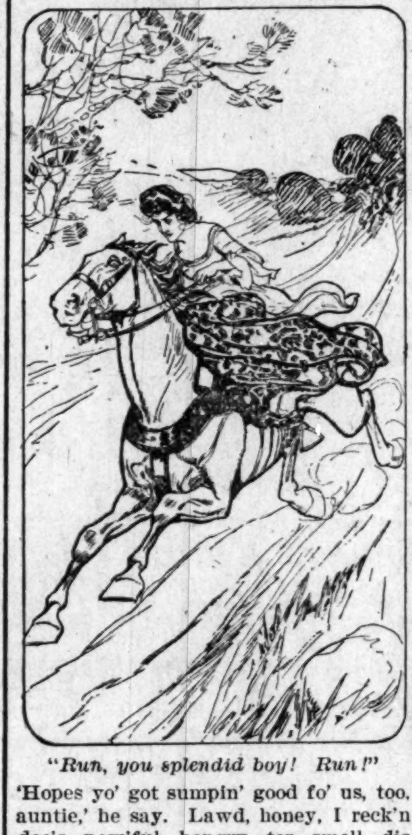
The negress raised her hands.

"Wid all dem sojers out dar? Honey, dee jes' split my haid wide op'n!"

"Do as I tell you," said Anne. "They won't hurt you. Make no noise, and come back quickly."

The old woman made her way gingerly past the groups across the yard.

"Mis' Anne," she said as she came back, all her teeth gleaming, "one ob dem Britishers call to me jes' lak folks. 'Hopes yo' got sumpin' good fo' us, too, auntie,' he say. Lawd, honey, I reck'n dee's pow'ful hongry ter smell dis yere!"



"Run, you splendid boy! Run!"

Anne heaped a great platter high from the dripping grids and flanked it with a pyramid of corn bread.

"Now, Aunt Daph'," she breathed excitedly, "take this. Hold it high and fall not on the steps. When you come to the milk room door you are to tell the soldiers that the colonel in here says they are all to have their breakfast at once. Do you understand?"

"Yas'm. Yas'm. But dis yere chick'n's er heap too good fo' dem low down nosin' debbles!"

Anne watched her through the door in a quiver of apprehension. Would they go? She prayed frantically that they would smell that savory odor. She heard the laugh of the officers in the next room and above it the tones of the cook outside, now scornfully belligerent:

"Yore cun'l in dar say yo' is ter eat dis yere up mighty quick er yo' don' git nuttin' 'tall."

There was a murmur among the troopers. It was a fearful temptation. Then they succumbed before that delicate aroma, and while Anne held her breath the last guard had overcome his scruples and vanished into the milk room.

She did not wait an instant, but slipped out hatless and was away like a flash to the outer ring of horses. Her eye picked the speediest with the unerring judgment of the born horsewoman. She leaped to his back, took the yard paling and flew across the soft loam field to the highroad.

When Lieutenant Colonel Banistre Tarleton entered the kitchen smilingly to see why breakfast delayed he found the room empty, and sounds from the outhouse told him the rest. The petulant lipped lad became instantly a raging demoniac, and the crestfallen men tumbled out, mounting with a speed increased by threats and revilings.

A sight of the horseless trooper sent the leader's passion leaping to knowledge. "'Tis the girl!" he cried. "The deuce! She's off to warn them!"

And his curses suddenly mixed themselves with steel sharp orders.

Mrs. Walker wrung her hands as the last trooper galloped off after the rest on a horse impressed from the stables.

"God grant they don't catch her!" she prayed.

As Anne sped along the curving stretch of road over the low hill spurs she leaned to the horse's mane, crying to him: "Run, you splendid boy! Run! 'Tis to save the assembly!" And the great creature, slim, lustrous blood bay, snorted and settled to action, his limpid eye catching the terror-white as if he, stolen from some Virginia stable, knew what the words meant.

Gallop and gallop: she heard the red clods patter on the road behind as she went. One mile—two miles. The windwarped trees stretched by in a whirling, drunken race of foliaged dervishes. Three miles—they must surely know by now.

She passed two riders and noted their glance of wonder. One called out to her, but she did not stop. The terrific pace made her breath come jaggedly, and it was only by a supreme effort that she kept her seat on the pommelless saddle.

The last two miles flung away in a dulled red roar.

There were groups upon the courthouse steps when she pulled up her frothing horse, and Henry himself pushed forward to her side.

"Tarleton," she panted, "at Castle Hill—coming to—take the assembly!"

Henry turned and repeated the message. It was caught up on all sides and bandied up and down the corridors. There was a rush for the sheds and hurried mounting. Then another cry spread: Jefferson—he was at Monticello!

"How much time?" asked Henry briefly of Anne.

"Ten minutes," she answered at hazard.

"Too little. They will be upon him before this." He brought his horse and vaulted into the saddle. "Will Tarleton know you have come?"

"Yes."

"Then you must not stay," he said firmly. "You shall ride with me."

Before she could answer a horseman came clattering in from a bridle path. It was Colonel Carter, and he took in the preparations at a glance.

"Good!" he shouted. "Lose no time, gentlemen. Captain Jouett has warned Monticello. The assembly stands dissolved, to meet at Staunton three days hence."

About noon hoofs rang behind them in the flinty road, and Henry and Anne reined their horses into the brush. Two more riders galloped by, to wheel and come back at Henry's halloo. They were Mr. John Tyler and Colonel Harrison. Fatigued and hungry as they were, both essayed to smile.

"Is Jefferson safe?" cried Henry.

"Aye," Colonel Harrison assured him. "The family are gone to Colonel Carter's, and all of the gentlemen who were at Monticello are in the mountains. 'Twas a narrow squeak."

"Whither think you we had best ride?" Colonel Harrison asked as they started.

"Lafayette is nigh the Rapid-Ann," said Henry. "I' faith"—with a smile at the girl beside him—"the man who named it should have seen you ride! Best to reach our own lines for the night, and tomorrow we will off for Staunton. Ely's house should be near our troops, and Mistress Tillotson can get safe escort to Fredericksburg."

At midafternoon they stopped at a small hut in a gorge and asked for something to eat.

After the meal and rest the four rode some hours through shaggy ravines strewn with wrack of storm, where the green veins of every growing thing ran flush with frenzied sap, then to the low valleys of the Rapid-Ann. And here at last spirals of smoke showed them where Lafayette lay encamped, waiting a junction with Wayne to march against Cornwallis.

The first challenge they met came from a detachment of Virginia riflemen, and, finding an old friend in their commander, Major Call, Colonel Harrison and Mr. Tyler elected to go no farther. Ely's house, Henry learned, was but a few miles beyond the picket lines, and as to the morrow's escort for Anne the major sent a lieutenant with them a mile down the river to headquarters to ask it.

It was a picturesque encampment through which they passed. There were few tents—mere wigwams of fresh cut boughs to shed the dew. Here and there fires of blazing fence rails glowed yellowly in the gathering twilight.

The tent of the acting colonel of the Virginia Continental regiment was pitched apart on a patch of beaten grass. Stools and a light folding table holding pen and paper sat just outside the open flaps, from whose angle a lantern hung, already winking in the dusk.

Benches were on one side, and here, while their horses were cared for, Henry and Anne seated themselves to wait. Near by the dusty silver of sycamores swayed against the shredded carnation of the sky, and from the distance through the warm evening came the hum of the camp, noises of mess preparing and the tramp and neigh of horses.

They sat awhile silent, Anne's every nerve tired. Henry watched her. How softly white her cheeks, how deep the longing in her eyes!

"'Twas a quick plan and a splendid ride," he said at length. "A brave act, as are all of yours!"

She cringed suddenly. "I hate that word so!" she implored, and he knew of what she was thinking.

All at once she looked at him, speaking earnestly: "Do you believe I shall ever see him? Oh, if he could but know—but know that I was not false to him in my heart! At first I thought I would be content to know he was alive, even if I never saw him again—if he hated me! But now—now, I would give my life to hear him say that he forgave me!"

It was as if all the pent up longing of the past time burst out in a flood. Her voice had sunk very low with the last words, for the lieutenant had approached again.

A horse pulled up before the tent, and its rider dismounted. He wore the uniform of a colonel of the line, and even in the half light both the watchers saw how strangely pallid his clear cut features showed beneath the straight black peruke he wore.

An orderly sprang from the tent to lead away the dancing horse, and the lieutenant saluted:

"A gentleman to see you, colonel. He requests escort tonight for a lady to Ely's and tomorrow to Fredericksburg."

The colonel had seated himself at a table and was spreading out a parchment map in the glow of the lantern. "Where are they?"

"They are here, sir."

As they came forward into the light the seated figure settled back in the shadow and shaded his eyes with his hand. The lieutenant saluted and withdrew a little distance.

When the colonel spoke, it was in a muffled voice. "Your name, sir?"

Henry told him.

"For what lady do you wish this escort?" The black peruke was bent over the table. The quill was scratching.

"For this lady."

Anne had been staring, breathless, fascinated, her eyes fixed in a humid pain. She took a step nearer, stretching out her arms, her lips trembling to a sob.

"Louis!" Her breath clung about the name. Henry swallowed an exclamation.

At the whisper the head lifted, and Armand's deep eyes looked at them out of a granite pale face. They went past her as if she had been the air and rested again on Henry.

"Her name?" he asked with an effort.

Anne drew back as if from a tangible blow. She flushed, and her eyes iced with a glint of the old, undying pride. She drew herself up and answered for Henry.

"Anne Tillotson," she said. But in spite of herself a throb of pain beat through the clear words.

A moment's silence, through which the pen wrote slowly. Then Armand rose unsteadily as the lieutenant came forward and thrust the order he had written into his hand.

"Conduct them," he said in a choked voice, and with his salute the tent flaps fell behind him.

"I warrant you found Colonel Armand a brusque cavalier," said the lieutenant as they pounded out of camp. "He is somewhat of a mystery, they say. No one knows where he came from. He joined the army in '77, and Washington took him up because he taught the militia brigades the drill like a French guardsman. He was at Valley Forge, too, and in New Jersey under Lafayette. He enlisted a legion of his own. It was cut to pieces at Camden. He's young, too, but he fights like Mad Anthony Wayne."

Anne had no reply to make. In the darkness she leaned her head to her horse's mane and wept with a rage of tears.

"He is fighting for us," she told herself over and over with a thrill, and ended it as often with a mental wail.

"But he will never forgive me—never—never—never!"

CHAPTER XVIII.

HENRY contrived to send early news of Anne's safety to Castle Hill, so that when she returned there she found the household undisturbed.

The sound of war had moved eastward down the peninsula. Lafayette, the "boy," who the British commander wrote could not escape him, without sufficient men to meet his adversary went playing chase the fox. He hung on Cornwallis' flanks, covering the American stores, anticipated his moves, harassed him, worried him with a thousand pin pricks. In return Tarleton and Simcoe played their wanton mischief, slaughtered the cattle, cut the throats of the young horses, destroyed the growing corn and tobacco and burned the barns. The path of the British front remained a trail of ruin and desolation.

Anne's sight of Armand at the river camp had seared her heart with a wish to be less far from him. She dreamed of battlefields on which he lay dying—and she still misunderstood, still unforgiven.

Letters meantime came from Betsy Byrd. Her father had been failing in health, was taking no part in the struggle, and so far Westover had been in no way molested. Francis was a captain in Weedon's regiment.

"Only think, dear," wrote Betsy, "'tis the same old man who kept the tavern at Fredericksburg. To think of Frank serving under him!" An unconscious indication of the maternal leanings.

If other were needed, it was easily to be found. General Arnold had stopped for dinner on his raid upon Richmond, and Cornwallis had crossed the river at Westover and had been entertained. Pages were devoted to a description of Tarleton, over whom Betsy went into raptures.

Spurred by her craving for nearer news of the armies than reached Charlottesville, Anne answered in person the invitation the letters held, rode to Richmond with Henry when he returned from the assembly at Staunton, and from Richmond came in two hours' sail to Westover.

The war had touched Mrs. Byrd lightly. She was as handsome and as peppery as ever and exhibited a certainty of British plans which Anne had occasion to remember later when there were no gentle whispers of investigating the self satisfied lady's conduct. She treated the visitor, however, on this occasion with consideration and refrained from using the word "rebel" oftener than she deemed necessary. Nor did she gibe at Francis' commission in the Continental army.

A week spent at Westover, the Byrd pinnace took Anne down the river to Burwell's, a proceeding at which Mrs. Byrd feebly protested, as the place was within a half dozen miles of Williamsburg, now the center of activity of both armies. But Anne reminded her that Colonel Tillotson was with Governor Nelson's militia in the neighborhood and would not be dissuaded.

The first hours of her arrival at Burwell's were gilded by two bits of news—one that her uncle was daily expected there, the other that Gladden Hall was as yet undisturbed.

But this latter gleam was soon to be clouded. Mammy Evaline appeared the morning after Anne's arrival, half crazed with grief and fear that was not appeased by the unexpected sight of her mistress.

She threw herself in a quivering heap and clasped Anne's feet.

"Lor' bress yo', honey!" she sobbed. "Dee come at las'! Co'nwallis done ransack Gladden Hall las' night, en he sojers kyar'd meh po' boy erway wid 'em. Whut's we ter do, honey? Dee's dar now. Yo' reck'n dee done kilt him yit?"

An hour later Anne took the Yorktown highroad, mounted on the least tempting of the horses the Burwells kept hidden in the woods. Opposite Williamsburg she climbed a knoll, but could see little sign of life in its deserted streets. Small wonder, for Cornwallis was only a handful of miles away. Here she turned to her left into an unused bridle path leading by a short cut to Gladden Hall.

She went bodly enough, with many self assurances, and so, a bare half mile from the gates, rode full tilt upon a group of British soldiery resting in the shade.

They sprang to their feet as her horse went back upon his haunches, and two of them seized his bridle, but dropped it at a word from an officer. The latter came forward.

"Your pardon, mistress," he said courteously, but firmly. "You cannot pass farther in this direction."

"Why not?" she asked calmly. "'Tis the first time I was ever denied entrance to my own home."

He bowed now, with hat in his hand. "General Cornwallis occupies the house at present as his own quarters."

"I know it. I have personal business with his lordship."

"In that case," he responded, "you may pass. I shall take pleasure in escorting you. I am one of the general's aids."

He mounted, and they rode in silence to the gates. Here and there a picket stepped from the roadside, but saluted as he saw her guide.

The aid stood aside as she entered the hall. Through the half open door of the drawing room she saw braided uniforms grouped about a table from which floated out the sound of laughter and the clink and tinkle of glasses, filled from the cellars.

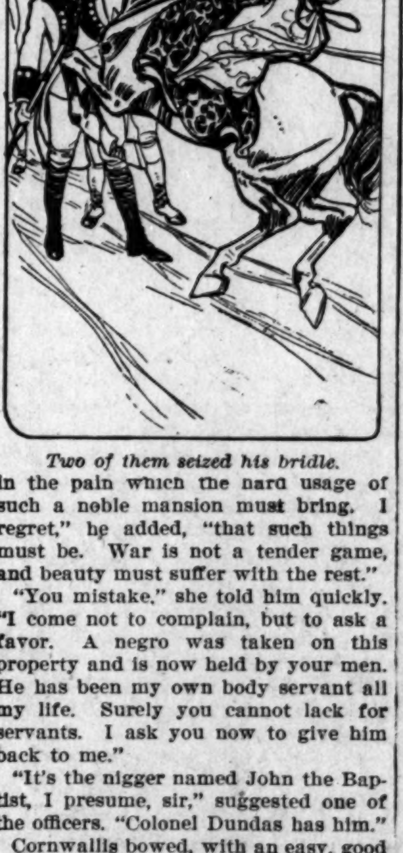
"And they tell me," rolled a full voice, with a bantering chord in it, "that you would have snared the lot of them at Charlottesville were it not for a girl. Fie, colonel! A dragoon should have a sterner heart! Come, now, make a clean breast of it. Who was the light heeled damsel?"

"Mistress Tillotson of Gladden Hall," announced the aid at the door.

Anne went red and white at this contretemps, and Tarleton sprang up with such an exclamation that Lord Cornwallis, who had risen also, looked astonishment from one to the other. Then the commander caught the situation and laughed, as did the whole company.

The merriment sent resentment to Anne's face, and the general sobered instantly into courteous contrition.

"You bear easy honors, mistress," he said, "therefore overlook our hilarity, which, I do protest, was yet ill timed in the pain which the hard usage of such a noble mansion must bring. I regret," he added, "that such things must be. War is not a tender game, and beauty must suffer with the rest."



Two of them seized his bridle.

"You mistake," she told him quickly. "I come not to complain, but to ask a favor. A negro was taken on this property and is now held by your men. He has been my own body servant all my life. Surely you cannot lack for servants. I ask you now to give him back to me."

"It's the nigger named John the Baptist, I presume, sir," suggested one of the officers. "Colonel Dundas has him."

Cornwallis bowed, with an easy, good humored smile on his big, confident, masterful face. "We who enjoy the hospitality of this mansion can scarce refuse so light a favor to her who, under happier circumstances, should be our hostess. You shall have your body servant, mistress."

"I thank your lordship," said Anne, with dignity.

Seating himself, Cornwallis wrote a hasty line, folded the paper and handed it to her.

"Colonel Dundas' brigade lies with Simcoe at Spencer's ordinary on the Williamsburg road," he said. "He will give you return passes."

The officers rose as she swept a low

held her stirrup with deference, and she cantered down through the gates and took the west road with a joyfully beating heart and the written order in the pocket of her gown.

But she did not finish the journey. She had fared scarce half the way when a far popping came from the distance. The next hill showed puffs of smoke hanging above the trees, and she knew that the sound was the rattle of engaging musketry. Could her eye have pierced beneath that foliage she would have seen the first skirmish of Lafayette's campaign, the brilliant charge of McPherson's dragoons upon Simcoe's rangers.

She had pulled up, startled at the sound, when a low but familiar voice called her from the thicket.

"John the Baptist!" she cried.

"Yas'm, Mis' Anne, et's me," he responded, with a moist grin, parting the bushes. "I warn' gwinter curry no Britisher hosses long! 'Twarn' no use'n 'em wallopin' me—meh hide's tougher'n whit leather."

"They let you go?"

He threw back his head like a baying hound and laughed loosely.

"Norm! Dem squinch eyed scoun'ls nuvver let nuttin' go. I kep' meh eyes skunt en tuk ter de bresh dis ve'y mawnin' slicker'n er weasel. Greased lightnin' couldn't ketch me! Whut yo' doin' heah, Mis' Anne? Whar yo' been?"

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DIVORCE LEGAL.

Allen A. Woods vs Ida B. Woods | State of Indiana, Marion Co., ss: in the Circuit Court of Marion county In the State of Indiana. No. 14616 Complaint Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 5th day of Dec. 1905, the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Ida B Woods, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant Ida B. Woods, is not a resident of the State of Indiana and sai cause is for divorce and tha the above amded defendant is a necessary party thereto, and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 5th day of February, 1906.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 5th day of Feb 1906, the same being the first judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in Feb, 1906, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in her absence. WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk.

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IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS.....

By JOHN L. FOOTSLUG.

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PETER JACKSON'S FIRST BIG BATTLE IN AMERICA

James J. Corbett in telling of Peter Jackson's first battle in this country, wrote the following;

The blame thrust upon Billy Delaney for compelling Al Kaufmann to meet Jack O'Brien, one of the cleverest fighters that ever lived, before he had met any of the others, recalls an experience in my early Califoania days.

It was the first fight Peter Jackson ever had in this country.

Joe McAuliffe was then doing ring stunts on the coast under the management of Barney Farley. He had just trimmed up Paddy Ryan and was touted as a wonder.

Jackson was entitled to the battle with McAuliffe, however as he had shown his hand against George Godfrey

When the time came for two fighters and their managers to meet to settle on terms, McAuliffe and his managers, Farley, objected to Jackson's demands. Peter wanted a loser's end, as he was 11 000 miles away from home and not a chance in the world to get back if he lost a battle in which there was no loser's purse.

Farley held out and McAuliffe stuck for winner take all. Finally Jackson was about ready to give up hope of the when President Fulda, of the old California club, who had listened to the wrangling and the pleading of the honest Negro who didn't want to become a burden to the people in the United States, stepped in and clinched the matched for Jackson.

I'll never forget how Jackson told the story afterward and showed the greatest admiration for Fulda.

Jackson agreed to the demands of Farley and the fight was arranged. President Fulda had promised him transportation back home and $100 if he lost the battle.

Jackson went to work training as he never trained before and when the night for the fight arrived he was in the pink of condition.

Well, if ever a fighter got a beating it was McAuliffe on that night. Jackson pounded him into a pulp and every blow duly reached the sensitive part of McAuliffe's makeup, for it would be accomplished by a stinging remark about "winner take all."

Jackson won in a walk and won many friends by the way he acted when he received the money from the club.

The enmity for McAuliffe he showed in the ring was all forgotton and he took $500 of his winnings and handed it over to Joe, saying that if he had not been there there would have been no fight, and that hereafter he would do well to take his opponent into consideration.

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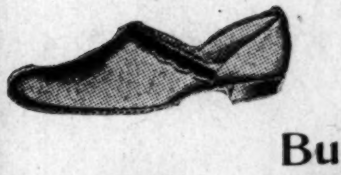

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Miss Eva Radden is the guest of Mrs. N. P. Gardiner in Center street.

Fred D. Thomas has gone to Nashville, Tenn., to spend the remainder of the winter

Lieut. Hawkins, of the 8 h. Illinois, U. S. V. was a visitor from Chicago last week.

A watch night jubilee will be conducted at Simpson Chapel Sunday night beginning at 8:30

Mrs. Thomas Howard, of Columbus, O, is the guest of Mrs. Augustus McFarland, 908 North West street.

The Indianapolis Choral Union was organized last Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. Ora Dunlop.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Nunn attended the marriage of their neice, Miss Myrtle Nunn at Louisville last Wednesday.

Frank Penick and George Lyle, of Petersburg, Ill., and Leroy Riley, of Hamilton, O., spent the holidays in the city.

George Evans, of Terre Haute, and Clifford Evans, teacher of manual training at Evansville were in the city this week.

Mrs. Maggie Stewart, of Battle Creek Mich., and Clarence King, of Columbus, Ind, were the guests os Mrs. George Murray this week.

Mr and Mrs. Raymond Lawson and little son, Warner, of Hartford, Conn., were the guests of relatives the first of the week. They left Wednesday for Nashville, Tenn.

The reunion of the Alexander family was held at the home of Robert Kirk, in Lafayette street. A dinner of six courses was served and in the evening a program was rendered.

Prof. R. A. Roberts, principal of the Scribner School of New Albany, and John Hodge, a teacher in the same school are in the city this week, attending the Teacher's Association.

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Misses Williard and Brenta Webber and Mary Childs at the home of the Misses Webber, 932 East Seventeenth street, from 2 to 10 p. m. Friends invited

SERVICES AT ALLEN CHAPEL.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church will have service at 10:45 a. m. Subject, third and fourth commandments; class meeting 12:30 p. m.; Sabbath-school 2 p. m; Christian Endeavor 7 p. m; watch meeting 9:30 p. m. followed by week of prayer. All are welcome. George C. Sampson, D. D., pastor.

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A. Shaw, shortstop for the Brownsville Club and Miss Fannie Taylor were married December 24.—The Young Men's Club, No. 4, gave a grand entertainment at the K of P. Hall Christmas.

DANVILLE, ILL.

Mrs. John Chavis has returned from Crawfordsville, where she was called to attend the funeral of her brother, John Artist.—Samuel Gant, formerly of Indianapolis, is in the city and has joined the Artist and Johnson Show Company. Mr. Gant is a baritone singer.—Mrs. Walter Brown is recovering slowly from a serious illness The Meridian Club met with Miss Eva Carter Friday.

FORT MADISON, IA.

The forty-third anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation will be celebrated at the A. M. E. church, Monday evening, January 1. Rev S M Smothers, of Keokuk will be the principal speaker. The other speakers will be Major A. P. Brown, Attorney J. Frailey and Rev. J. C. Reid. This celebration will be given under the auspices of the energetic Men's Sunday Club—Mr. Marshall Blackwell and Miss Lucille McClelland were married Wednesday evening of last week at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. and Mrs Oscar McClelland. Rev. J. C. Reid pronounced the ceremony. The bride's gown was crepe de chine, with lace trimming. She wore a veil and carried roses. Mrs Allen was matron of honor and Mrs. Haskins, a sister of the bride played the wedding march Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell will reside at St. Joseph, Mo—The marriage of Mr. Preston Banister, of Keokuk and Miss Bettie Stewart of this city was solemnized by the Rev. J D Peterson, Wednesday evening of last week. The bride was attired in green silk. Mr. and Mrs Banister will reside in this city.

MEMPHIS, TENN.

James Margerum is the progressive manager of the Monarch Saloon, 340 Beale street. This establishment is an up to date and well arranged business The finest wines, liquors and cigars are always in stock and is the headquarters for all hotel waiters. Mr. Margerum is highly respected and enjoys a thriving trade due to his kind and polite manner.—The Mansard Club is the fashionable organization of the town. The rooms are quite swell and are fitted up for card parties, literaries, etc The president is J. J. Moore, who is very popular with everybody. The directors are James Margerum, George Houston, Sterling McWilliams, Charles Robinson and Alfred Houston.

MAJORS' MELANGE

There are evidences, sufficient strong and true as proofs of Holy Writ that the race is beginning to engage in some of the business of the world, even though it be on a very small scale, it portends volumes in which it will not be very long before it will take statisticians to chronicle the vast work. The next socialogist who undertakes to descant eloquently of the upward trend will have to include in his list, banks, insurance companies, clearing houses, realty and mercantile corporations park associations, cotton factories, automobiles and mammoth transfer companies, street car companies, electrical engineers, boss tailoring of men and womens' fine tailoring architects, contracting mechanics, civil engineering and general surveying, hotel companies, truck garden companies, lumber, brick, lime, coal and asphalt corporations, stock breeding, cotton shippers, woolen shippers, poultry, fish and game, jobbers in stationery, merchants and grocers, meat market, and packing of meat and shippers on a small scale, milk, butter and eggs producers, milliners, manicure, chiropody, massage, medicine, law, publishers of music, publishing concerns, of newspapers, magazines, books and pamphlets, stock brokers, grain merchants, potato shippers, manufacturers of barbers' supplies, hospitals, trained nurses, manufacturers of furniture, caskets, undertakers, livery stables, haberdashers, feed barns, ice dealers, horse breakers, dog trainers, and perhaps dozens of other things the race is doing besides building churches. There must inevitably come a man or woman of the race, filled with the energy that it willtask to prop- take to perform the erly bring together, classify and publish the great resources of the Negro in America, which will strikingly contrast with a period, when the accomplishment of much else, save making a speech, singing or preaching was indeed very remote.

In this "Top of the year" 1906 let us look upward and onward with renewed zeal, great interest, and with a godly spirit fervently thank Him who differed with Jefferson Davis and little skulking men who are blind both as to conditions and their duty to their fellow creatures There never was a time that promised so much to the American Negro in spite of the opposition, which seems to overcome only for the moment.

We are pushing toward the gates, and th's no royal road seems to loom up in our study gaze forward, all great people who have trudged to their greatness ever reached their summit of grandure without much blood, much hardship, struggle and tears.

We cannot be a great people with out great heroes. We must have heroes, and time and opportunity will surely bring them. The white race points to their Farragut, Dewey, John Paul Jones, Hobson, Joan of Arc. We have heroes, but the Negro is not in his mood to appreciate them. We are beginning to collect the broken fragments of a much disgruntled people, and in God's own time mayhaps the dry bones of our dead selves will come together and astound a stolid world conscience. The Japanese way to glory may be the way we are to trudge. If so, don't, oh don't let it come soon, for we will not be ready for a hundred years

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COLUMBIA, TENN.

The past week was replete with social happenings, marriages and Christmas holiday events.—William Merrill spent the holidays with his parents. Thomas Brown, Wiley Polk, Obe and Phillip Webster and Mr. Vorhies have returned from Chicago.—The Peoples Drug Company are distributing some beautiful calendars to their patrons The cut of Dr. A. T. Braxton is the central figure.—Mrs T. A Frierson, of New Decatur, Ala, spent the holidays with parents and children.—Another colored physician, Dr. Hunter of Lynnville, will begin practicing in this city about January 1—Daniel Armstrong, a well known citizen of this city died recently. The funeral services were conducted at the Mt. Tabor Presbyterian church by Rev. J. T. Lawrence Miss Fannie Wallace and Hazel Brown were quietly married December 11. Dr. F. W. Stephens attended the lecture of Booker T. Washington at Nashville,—The Y. W. C. U, rendered an excellent program last Sunday. An address was delivered by the president, James Goodloe.—The Bachelors Club gave a banquet in honor of Prof. J H Kelly and brother—The Middle Tennessee Teacher's Association was in session here this week. A creditable program was rendered Tuesday night at the Mt. Lebanon Baptist church.—In a recent rally at the First Baptist church $89.24 was realized by the different clubs The church has been nicely painted and presents a very attractive appearance.—St. Paul A. M. E. Sunday school held their Christmas exercises Monday night—Rev. B. G. Gordon delivered an address to the Macedonian public school December 25. A social was given at the K. of P. Hall December 21.

KISSES FOR MAN IN JAIL

White Girls Suspected of Aiding Him in Plot to Escape.

Yankton, S. D., Special.—Sheriff Wright declares that he has the names of school girls, members of prominent families, who have confessed that they threw kisses to Sam Carr, a mulatto, in jail charged with murder, and he believes the girls are the ones who smuggled tools with which Carr and others attempted to break jail

Carr is handsome, despite his Ethiopian features. He declares he would rather go to the gallows than betray the names of the girls who came to his window, although he denies that they passed anything to him The receipt of numerous sympathetic and even affectionate notes by Carr indicates to the Sheriff that a dozen or more girls and women took an interest in him.

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LET INTEREST ACCUMULATE

Amount of $2,800 Loaned Thirty-Three Years Ago is Now $10,000.

Concordia, Kas, Special.—Thirty-three years ago David Henry, a Negro of this city, sold a piece of town property for $2,800, and loaned the sum to John Hollis of Monmouth, Ill., taking a deed to a farm as security. He never collected or attempted to collect his interest, and last winter when Hollis died and his family went to settle up his estate it was found that the farm was in Henry's name and it would require nearly $10,000 to secure it to the heirs. It has become very valuable property, and Henry has been notified that his money awaits his orders at Monmouth as soon as the property is deeded back to the estate. He will send the deed at once and collect his fortune.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. C. H. Johnson, pastor; preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening; Sunday School 9:30 a. m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH.

Corner West and Walnut streets Hours of service: Sunday 9:30 a. m., Sabbath School; preaching 10:45 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday night; preaching Thursday night. Rev. J. C. Patton, pastor; residence 2225 Greenbriar avenue.

METROPOLITAN BAPTIST NOTES

422 North Senate avenue, Rev. N. H. Pius, pastor; Sunday School 10 a m; Bible class 7 to 8 p. m.; preaching 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; prayer meeting Thursday evening 7:30 to 6 p. m.

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

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